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MASTER WU

THIS WISE, OLD MAN IS THE MENTOR OF THE CHOSEN NINJA, AND THE FIRST SPINJITZU MASTER'S SECOND-BORN SON. HE IS GARMADON'S YOUNGER BROTHER, MISAKO'S BROTHER-IN-LAW, AND LLOYD'S PATERNAL UNCLE.

KAI

KAI IS SOMETHING OF A HOTHEAD, WHICH IS FITTING, SINCE HE COMMANDS THE ELEMENT OF FIRE. HE IS THE SON OF A BLACKSMITH AND IS NYA'S BROTHER.

COLE

COLE IS A VERY CALM AND INTELLIGENT MEMBER OF THE NINJA. HE COMMANDS THE ELEMENT OF EARTH, GIVING HIM GREAT PHYSICAL STRENGTH AND DURABILITY–EVEN IF HE HAS BEEN TURNED INTO A LIVING GHOST.

JAY

ALWAYS TELLING JOKES, JAY IS THE MOST LIGHTHEARTED OF THE NINJA. HE CAN HARNESS THE ELEMENT OF LIGHTNING TO CREATE A SPINJITZU TORNADO OF PURE ELECTRICITY. ONLY HE AND NYA REMEMBER THE BATTLE AGAINST THE EVIL DJINN NADAKHAN.

LLOYD

LLOYD LOVES HIS FATHER, GARMADON. ONCE, THIS ALMOST DROVE HIM TO EVIL, BUT HIS INHERENTLY GOOD NATURE INSTEAD LED HIM TO JOIN THE NINJA AND COMMAND THE ELEMENT OF ENERGY. NOW HE IS TRYING TO BUILD A BETTER RELATIONSHIP WITH HIS MOTHER, MISAKO.

NYA

AFTER DISCOVERING THAT SHE COMMANDS THE ELEMENT OF WATER, KAI'S YOUNGER SISTER HAS BECOME THE NEWEST ADDITION TO THE NINJA. NYA IS VALUED FOR HER FIGHTING SKILLS AND INDEPENDENCE, BUT NOW SHE'S LEARNING HOW TO BE PART OF A TEAM AS WELL.

ZANE

ZANE IS THE MOST RESERVED AND SERIOUS OF THE NINJA, BUT HE IS ALSO THE MOST RESPECTFUL. HIS AFFINITY FOR ICE ALLOWS HIM TO FREEZE OBJECTS AND PERFORM A CHILLY SPINJITZU ATTACK.

MISAKO

LLOYD'S MOTHER WORKS CLOSELY WITH WU TO HELP TRAIN THE NINJA. MISAKO OFTEN ENCOURAGES NYA TO PLOT HER OWN COURSE RATHER THAN LET OTHERS DETERMINE WHO SHE IS.

RONIN

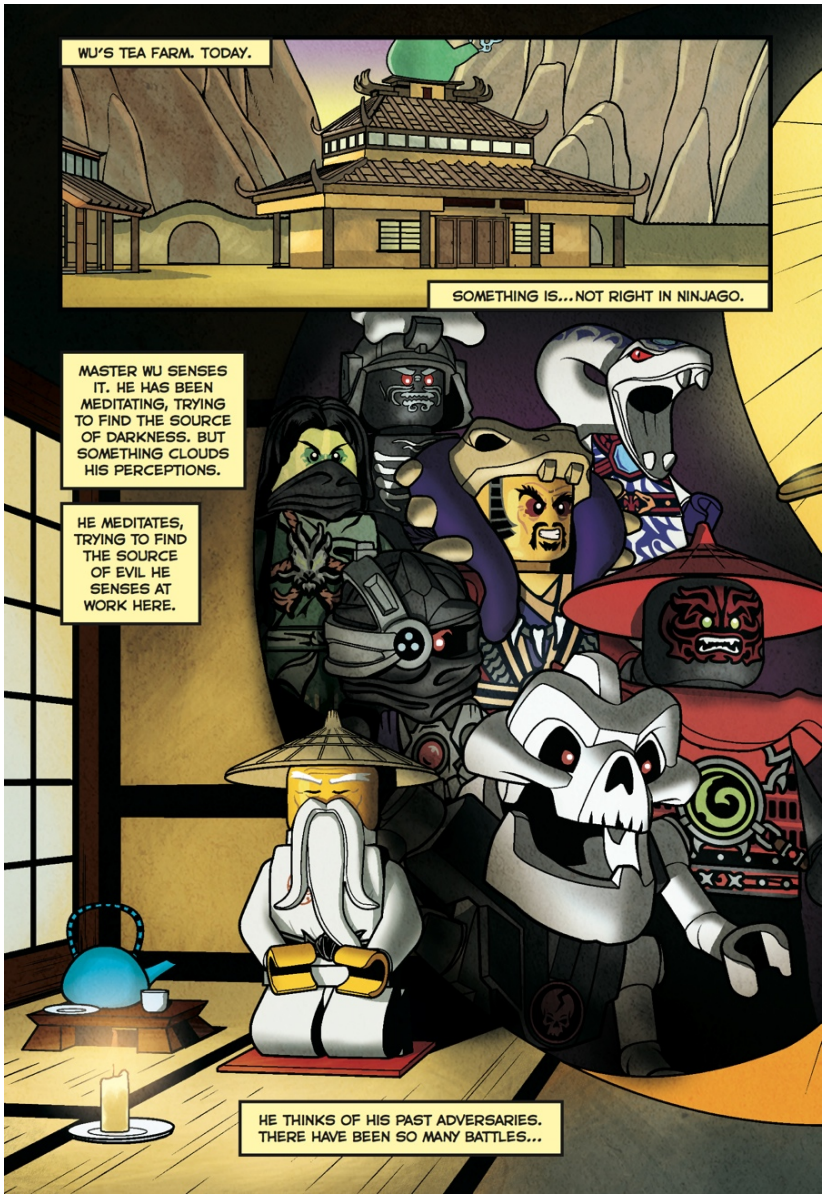
THE ONLY MASTER RONIN SERVES IS MONEY. YET THIS RETIRED THIEF IS TRYING TO MAKE A SECOND CHANCE FOR HIMSELF—AS PART OWNER OF MASTER WU'S TEA FARM.

CHAPTER ONE
DARK ISLAND

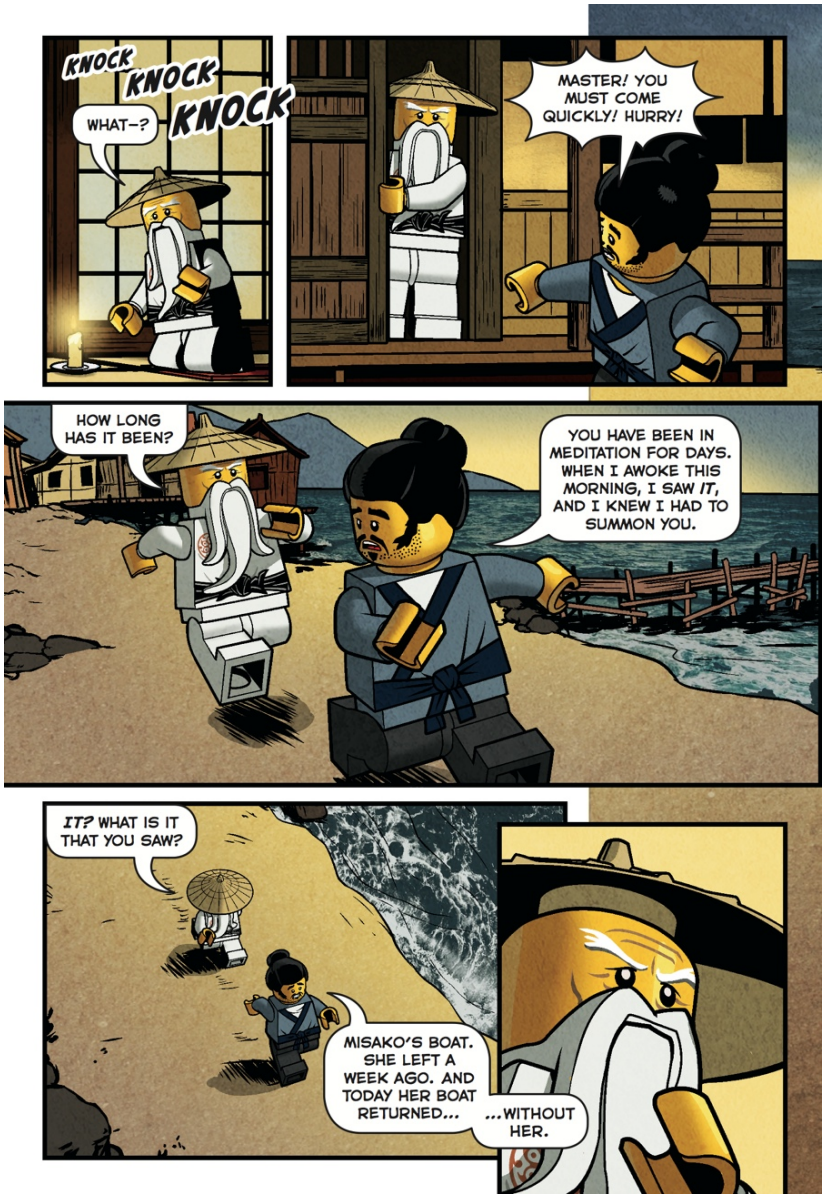
DAYS AGO
GOING TO *DARK ISLAND* WAS A MISTAKE.
CAN'T THIS BOAT MOVE ANY FASTER?
WE'RE GOING AS FAST AS WE CAN. THE *ENDLESS SEA* ISN'T EXACTLY GENTLE ON THE SAILS.
REMIND ME AGAIN HOW YOU GOT US INTO THIS MESS.
IT WAS ONLY A COUPLE OF MISSING FISHERMEN. I TOLD WU I COULD INVESTIGATE ON MY OWN. HE NEEDED TO STAY ON NINJAGO ISLAND, BUT INSISTED I NOT GO ALONE.
I COULD NEVER HAVE GUESSED WHAT WE WOULD DISCOVER WHEN WE GOT TO DARK ISLAND. WE MUST WARN WU AND THE NINJA—AND QUICKLY!
THAT'S WHAT I GET FOR THINKING WITH MY WALLET. HAD I KNOWN HOW MUCH TROUBLE WE WERE SAILING INTO, I WOULD HAVE CHARGED MORE—A LOT MORE.
UH...MISAKO? WE MIGHT HAVE A PROBLEM...

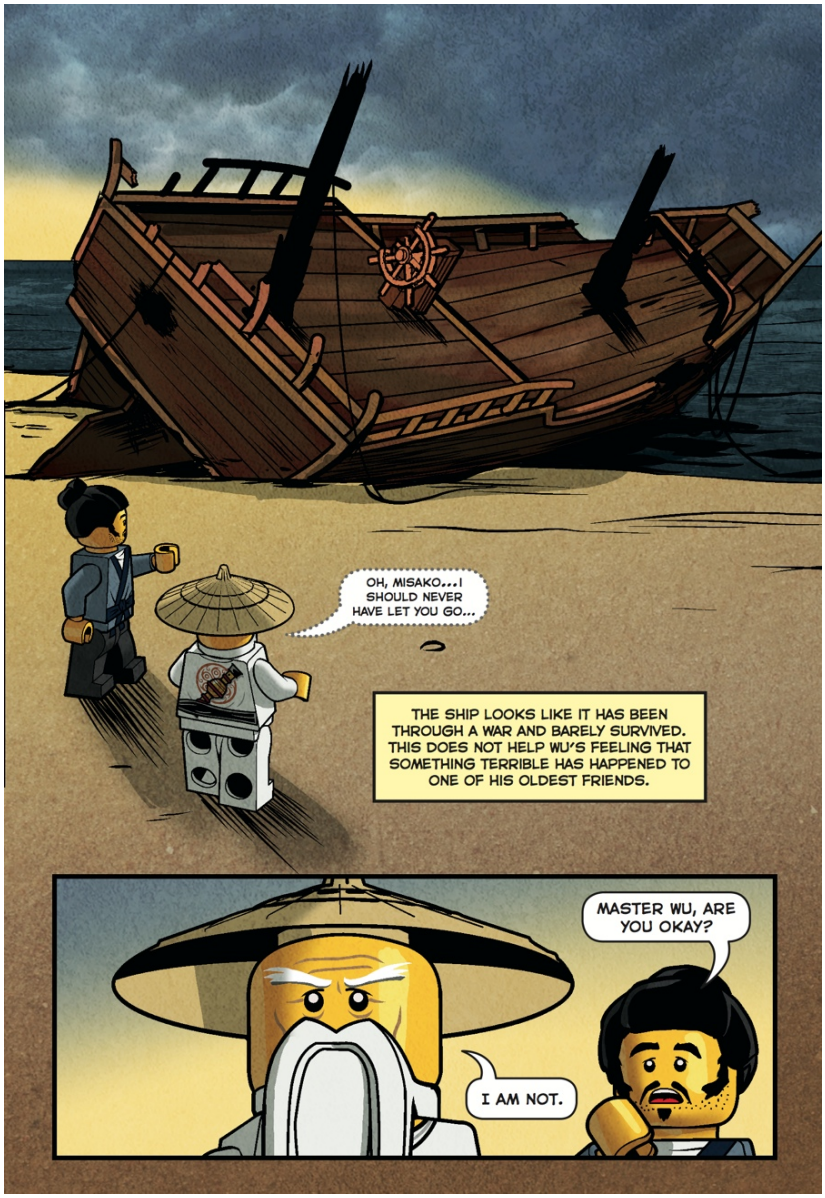
KRAK
A BIG, SCARY PROBLEM FROM THE LOOKS OF IT.
I'LL TRY TO STEER US TO SAFETY! HOLD ON.
I THINK IT'S TOO LATE.
ATTACK!
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM

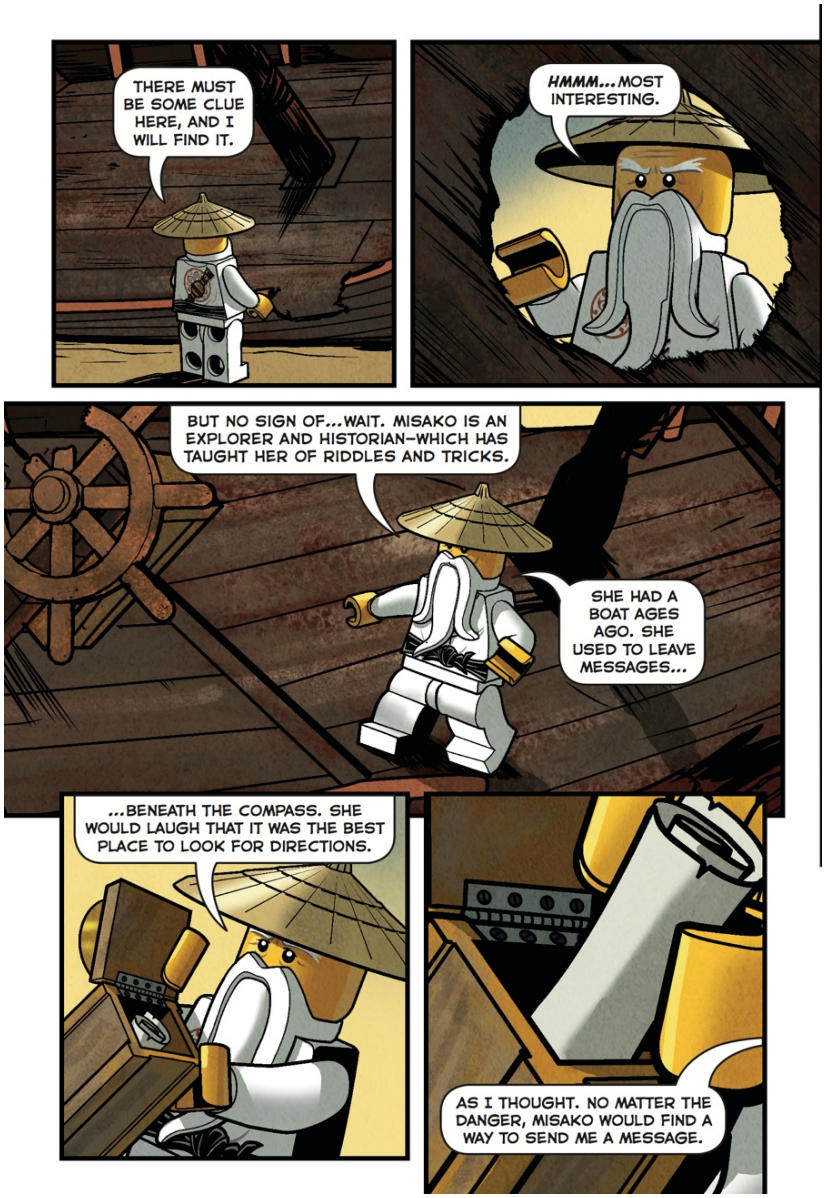
S-A-BOOM!!!!
WE'RE HIT! AND WE HAVE MORE INCOMING! THEY'RE GOING TO BOARD US!
RONIN, HOLD THE SHIP. I MUST DO SOMETHING IF WE HAVE ANY CHANCE...
OH, WU. FORGIVE ME FOR NOT TELLING YOU—
BOOM!


WU'S TEA FARM. TODAY.
SOMETHING IS...NOT RIGHT IN NINJAGO.
MASTER WU SENSES IT. HE HAS BEEN MEDITATING, TRYING TO FIND THE SOURCE OF DARKNESS. BUT SOMETHING CLOUDS HIS PERCEPTIONS.
HE MEDITATES, TRYING TO FIND THE SOURCE OF EVIL HE SENSES AT WORK HERE.
HE THINKS OF HIS PAST ADVERSARIES. THERE HAVE BEEN SO MANY BATTLES...

BUT HE HAS ALSO HAD MANY VICTORIES, ESPECIALLY WITH HIS NINJA—WHO ARE NOW FAMILY AND FRIENDS.


KNOCK KNOCK KNOCK
WHAT–?
MASTER! YOU MUST COME QUICKLY! HURRY!
HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN?
YOU HAVE BEEN IN MEDITATION FOR DAYS. WHEN I AWOKE THIS MORNING, I SAW *IT*, AND I KNEW I HAD TO SUMMON YOU.
IT? WHAT IS IT THAT YOU SAW?
MISAKO'S BOAT. SHE LEFT A WEEK AGO. AND TODAY HER BOAT RETURNED...
...WITHOUT HER.


OH, MISAKO...I SHOULD NEVER HAVE LET YOU GO...
THE SHIP LOOKS LIKE IT HAS BEEN THROUGH A WAR AND BARELY SURVIVED. THIS DOES NOT HELP WU'S FEELING THAT SOMETHING TERRIBLE HAS HAPPENED TO ONE OF HIS OLDEST FRIENDS.
MASTER WU, ARE YOU OKAY?
I AM NOT.


THERE MUST BE SOME CLUE HERE, AND I WILL FIND IT.
HMMM... MOST INTERESTING.
BUT NO SIGN OF... WAIT. MISAKO IS AN EXPLORER AND HISTORIAN—WHICH HAS TAUGHT HER OF RIDDLES AND TRICKS.
SHE HAD A BOAT AGES AGO. SHE USED TO LEAVE MESSAGES...
...BENEATH THE COMPASS. SHE WOULD LAUGH THAT IT WAS THE BEST PLACE TO LOOK FOR DIRECTIONS.
AS I THOUGHT. NO MATTER THE DANGER, MISAKO WOULD FIND A WAY TO SEND ME A MESSAGE.

Dear Wu, I know you will find this letter...
...Our ship is under attack by pirates.
I have little time, but I must warn you about Dark Island...
Please, whatever you do, stay away from this place! It is worse than you can imagine...
I HAVE ALWAYS DONE AS YOU ASKED, MISAKO...
...BUT NOT THIS TIME.

BUT WHAT WILL YOU DO?
WHAT I HAVE ALWAYS DONE: *I WILL TRY TO HELP.*
BUT I WILL *NOT* DO IT ALONE.

LATER, WU AND HIS NINJA TEAM GATHER IN NYA'S SECRET *SAMURAI X CAVE* TO PREPARE FOR THEIR NEW MISSION.
DARK ISLAND WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY TRY TO SEPARATE US. WE MUST STAY TOGETHER ONCE WE ARRIVE. WE ARE STRONGEST AS A TEAM.
NO WORRIES. WE CAN USE THE COMMUNICATORS I BUILT FOR US BEFORE GOING TO MASTER CHEN'S ISLAND.
OH, GREAT. I LOVE THOSE THINGS!
YOU AND YOUR GADGETS. WHAT MATTERS IS WHO STRIKES THE FASTEST AND THE HARDEST.
AS I RECALL, NYA'S "GADGETS" HAVE SAVED YOUR HIDE A TIME OR TWO...OR FOUR TIMES...OR SIX TIMES...
GUYS, KNOCK IT OFF. THIS IS SERIOUS.
MY MOTHER IS MISSING! IF YOU CAN'T FOCUS ON THE MISSION, THEN WE'LL GO WITHOUT YOU.

TAKE IT EASY, LLOYD. WE ALL WANT TO HELP FIND MISAKO.
ANGER AND FEAR WILL CLOUD OUR JUDGMENT. OUR ENEMIES WANT US IN SUCH A FOG.
I HAVE COMPLETED MY ANALYSIS OF MISAKO'S BOAT. THE DAMAGE WAS INDEED DONE BY CANNON FIRE.
WHO USES CANNONS ANYMORE? WEIRD.
WE'D BETTER GRAB ALL THE WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT WE CAN CARRY. UM...SORRY, COLE. YOU DON'T HAVE TO HELP.
I AM HELPING. I MAY BE A GHOST, BUT IF I FOCUS HARD ENOUGH, I CAN STILL BECOME SOLID.
MAYBE IT'S MORE GHOSTS? WHICH WOULD BE DUMB BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, THE WHOLE SEA IS FILLED WITH WATER.
GHOSTS DON'T FIRE CANNONS.
LET'S LEAVE THE GHOST STORIES FOR *THE DAY OF THE DEPARTED* AND TRACK THESE CREEPS DOWN. WHEN ARE WE LEAVING?

READY THE SHIP FOR DEPARTURE. WE SAIL AS SOON AS I COLLECT ONE VERY IMPORTANT PIECE OF CARGO.
CAN SOMEBODY–*UNFFF*–GIVE ME A HAND?
MINE ARE FULL.
YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT "PACK LIGHT" MEANS, DO YOU, JAY?
WHY WOULD JAY BE REQUIRED TO PACK A SOURCE OF ILLUMINATION?

A LITTLE ASSISTANCE, IF YOU PLEASE.
WOW, WHAT'S IN THIS THING– ROCKS?
TEA, I GUESS. BUT WHO BRINGS THIS MUCH TEA ON A RESCUE MISSION?
EVERYTHING IS READY FOR DEPARTURE.
DARK ISLAND, HERE WE COME.
CAST OFF THE LINES!
AYE-AYE, CAPTAIN!

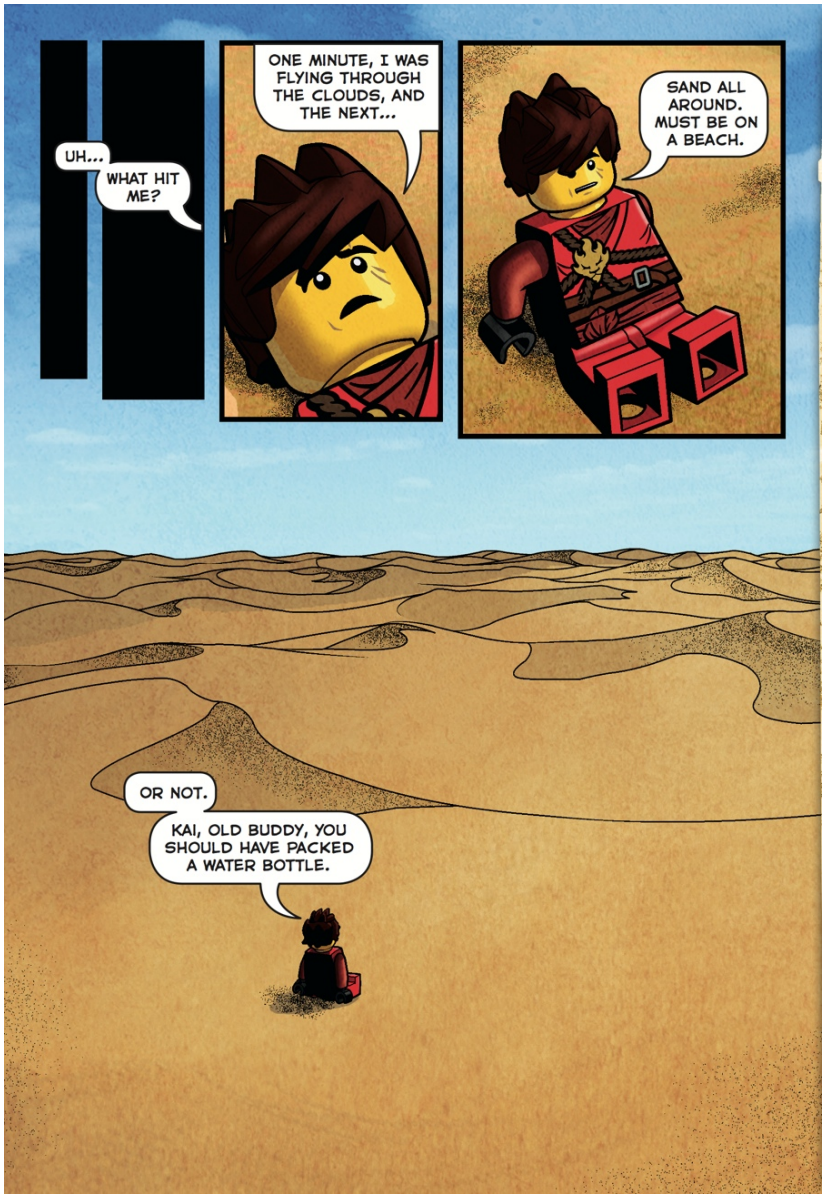
WHAT DO YOU THINK WE'LL FIND THERE, MASTER WU?
I DO NOT KNOW, LLOYD, BUT THERE IS AN OLD SAYING...
"THE QUESTION IS NOT WHAT YOU MAY FIND IN THE DARK. THE QUESTION IS WHAT MAY FIND YOU."
HANG ON, MOM. I'M COMING.

LATER...
I WANTED TO SHARE WITH YOU THE NOTE MISAKO HID.
IT WAS A WARNING. PIRATES ATTACKED, BUT MISAKO HINTS THERE IS SOMETHING MUCH WORSE WAITING FOR US...
PIRATES? DO YOU THINK IT'S *MISFORTUNE'S KEEP*?!
SHHHHH! NO ONE REMEMBERS ABOUT THAT EXCEPT US!
WHAT ARE YOU TWO WHISPERING ABOUT?
NOTHING. NOTHING AT ALL.
JAY'S RIGHT. BIG ZERO. NOTHING TO SEE HERE.
RIIIGGGHHTTT...
IF I COULD HAVE YOUR ATTENTION, MY NINJA.
I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT ROLE THESE PIRATES PLAY IN THE EVENTS AT DARK ISLAND, BUT I INTEND TO ASK THEM MYSELF...AND SOON.

GUYS, WE HAVE A PROBLEM!
WAS THAT THERE A MINUTE AGO?
NO, IT WASN'T.
WOW, INSTANT STORM– JUST ADD WATER.
PURPLE LIGHTNING? THAT STORM CAN'T BE NATURAL. AND THE HURRICANE WINDS ARE TOO BIG AND TOO CLOSE!
I CAN'T STEER AWAY! WE'RE BEING PULLED IN!
HANG ON, EVERYBODY! WE'RE GOING TO HIT–

ALL WORDS ARE LOST IN THE HOWL OF THE WIND, THE CRASH OF THE RAIN, AND THE GROAN OF THE TIMBERS OF *DESTINY'S BOUNTY*. SHIP AND CREW ARE TOSSED ABOUT AS IF THEY WERE WEIGHTLESS.
KRAK-A-BOOM!
SUDDENLY, THE MISSION IS NOT JUST ABOUT FINDING LOST FRIENDS OR SOLVING A MYSTERY. IT'S ABOUT *SURVIVAL*.

AIRJITZU THIS WAY, NYA! WHERE ARE THE OTHERS?
I CAN'T SEE ANYONE EXCEPT MASTER WU! HE'S STILL ON THE SHIP!
I WILL NOT SURRENDER. GETTING TO DARK ISLAND IS MY DESTINY, AND I WILL ACHIEVE IT, STORM, SO DO YOUR WORST!
KRAK-A-BOOM!
MASTER! NO!
THE POWER OF THE STORM GROWS EVEN STRONGER, SCATTERING THE NINJA THROUGH THE SKIES—PERHAPS NEVER TO MEET AGAIN.


UH...
WHAT HIT ME?
ONE MINUTE, I WAS FLYING THROUGH THE CLOUDS, AND THE NEXT...
SAND ALL AROUND. MUST BE ON A BEACH.
OR NOT.
KAI, OLD BUDDY, YOU SHOULD HAVE PACKED A WATER BOTTLE.

JOURNAL

I, Master Wu, take pen in hand in these **dark hours** before dawn. I do not know if anyone will ever read these words. But if you should be looking at these pages on some future date, they may serve as an explanation of what is to come... and a **warning.**

It has been a long time since I put ink to scroll, but I now feel the need to record my thoughts about this journey. Perhaps these words can serve as some record of what will happen to the world in the coming days—

be it good, or be it bad.

I have been plagued by a nightmare. In it, I see **Darkness** overtaking the land. I fear this may be more than a dream. Could it be the essence of the **NINJAGO** world crying out to me for help?

I can remember my father having such dreams. He was the First Spinjitzu Master, creator of this world, and loving parent to me and my brother, **Garmadon**. He wanted this to be a place of peace, but evil appeared in the form of the **Overlord**. My father was tormented by visions of the war that was to come.

But he did **not** shrink from the fight. To honor my father, I **took** up the mantle of hero. I spent **countless years** fighting against madmen and would-be conquerors. When the burden began to be too much to shoulder alone, I formed a **team of young ninja** to aid me. **Our victories** have been many, and we have **kept this world safe.**

But tonight I wonder...Will our good fortune soon run out? **Could** even we stand against **true Darkness unleashed?**

I have much to meditate upon.

Day 1

Misako and I walked along the seashore today. The usually busy docks were quiet as **Misako** searched out a boat for rent. Though she loves archaeology and history a great deal, she is an **adventurer first and foremost.** As such, she has decided to investigate some strange happenings around **Dark Island.** Apparently, some fishermen have been reported missing. It is likely due to a growing storm off the coast, but Misako is sure it's something **more.**

I asked her to wait for me, until I have finished meditating on the **great darkness** I feel. But she pointed out that there will always be something for me to fight, and that life is too short. She is right on both points. Still, I asked her again **to** wait, and again she laughed. Misako insisted it would be only a few days, and thus nothing she couldn't handle on her own. Finally, I insisted she at least take **Ronin,** to which she agreed.

I wish I could have gone with her, but I am needed here—to meditate. Part of me was glad that she was elsewhere, but now, the more I meditate, the more I'm concerned she is in harm's way. I can feel it in the wind and see it in the storm-tossed seas. There is something fundamentally wrong in our land. Light and Dark are out of balance here; I do not know why, but I must find out.

I wonder if I should summon my ninja now, but the wisdom in my soul says I must wait until I know more. If this is a threat that will make the Great Devourer look like an earthworm, I must be able to give my ninja the knowledge they need to win. I will meditate and strive to put a face to our unknown enemy. I have no choice, though I dearly wish I did.

DAY 2

Thoughts of Misako keep intruding upon my meditations. Perhaps if I write about her, it may help matters. Ages ago, when I was a young man, **Misako** was the woman I cared for. But my brother, **Garmadon**, also had feelings for her. A manipulation by **Master Chen** led Misako to choose my brother, to my great regret.

Years passed before we saw each other again. She had become a noted archaeologist and given birth to a son, Lloyd, my nephew. Never content to sit behind a desk, Misako had adventured all over the world in search of knowledge. It was only logical to invite her to be a part of my team. Emotion did not enter into it at all.

Of course not.

Today, Misako is a proud and devoted mother to Lloyd, a valuable aide to the ninja team, and more...the friend of my heart. She can sometimes achieve more with a single kind word than I can with hours of teaching. And she makes an excellent cup of tea.

Day 5 - Morning

Misako will return today. She will sail into the harbor, brimming with excitement over what she has discovered. She will run down the dock to me, eager to tell me what she has found out on her travels. I will listen to every word she says and fight the urge to embrace her, instead simply nodding and smiling as she finishes. Then we will discuss what to do next.

That is what will happen when she returns today... At least, this is what I hope will happen.

Along with the excitement of discovery, there will be steel in Misako's tone. She hates injustice of any kind. She has seen the damage that can be done by Darkness and corruption, and has vowed no innocent should suffer the way she has done. I truly believe there are no limits to her bravery. That is how I know she will return today, because there is nothing that can stop her when she is set upon a course.

– Evening

The sun is setting outside my window. It appears that I was wrong. It seems Misako will not return today. This worries me on many levels. I only let Misako go because I thought she would be safe elsewhere. But I am beginning to suspect I was wrong.

Today, I had the strangest vision. I was on the shore, walking, and all alone. The seas and skies grew dark. Ultimate Darkness erupted from the distant horizon and began to change the face of the world. Suddenly, I was fighting alongside my father—the first Spinjitzu Master. The Darkness bit at us again and again, but we glowed with light, and we fought back the Darkness, even as it threatened to devour us.

I cannot see what is coming at us, but I believe I know what I must do now...

DAY 6

I can take comfort in only one thing: Even though all my senses tell me that something terrible has happened, at least I did not allow Misako to go into danger alone.

Ronin is an expert thief and an accomplished teller of tales, many of them not true. He claims that money, not honor, is at the center of his life. And it is true that I had to offer him money to get him to accompany Misako on her voyage. But I suspect there is a nobility in him that Ronin tries to hide.

I know little about his past. My ninja once encountered him in the village of Stiix while we were attempting to secure the Scroll of Airjitzu. He asked for an exorbitant amount for the scroll, and later lost it to Morro. For his own reasons—which he claimed were selfish ones—he allied with us against the ghost army and even saved Nya's life.

While he is not a member of the ninja team, Ronin has become ...an ally. He can get his hands on information with the speed of a flying squirrel kick. He takes pride in the fact that he always works alone, but in his heart, I believe he needs friends...and so that is what Misako and I have tried to be.

DAY 8

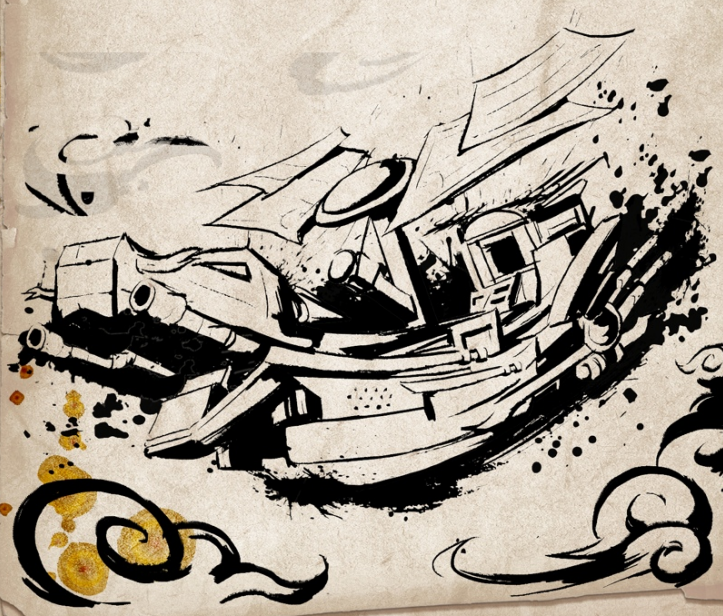
Dear Wu, I know you will find this letter. Our ship is under attack by pirates. I have little time, but I must warn you about Dark Island...

Please, whatever you do, stay away from this place! It is worse than you can imagine...

With all of my meditation on the wavering balance of Dark and Light, I did not see that Misako was going directly into the heart of danger. How could I have been so foolish?

Today, Misako's boat drifted back into the harbor. It was badly damaged, and she and Ronin were missing. At first, I believed they had simply disappeared without a trace, but then I remembered this was Misako, who is nothing if not resourceful. She had time to write a note. Misako named her

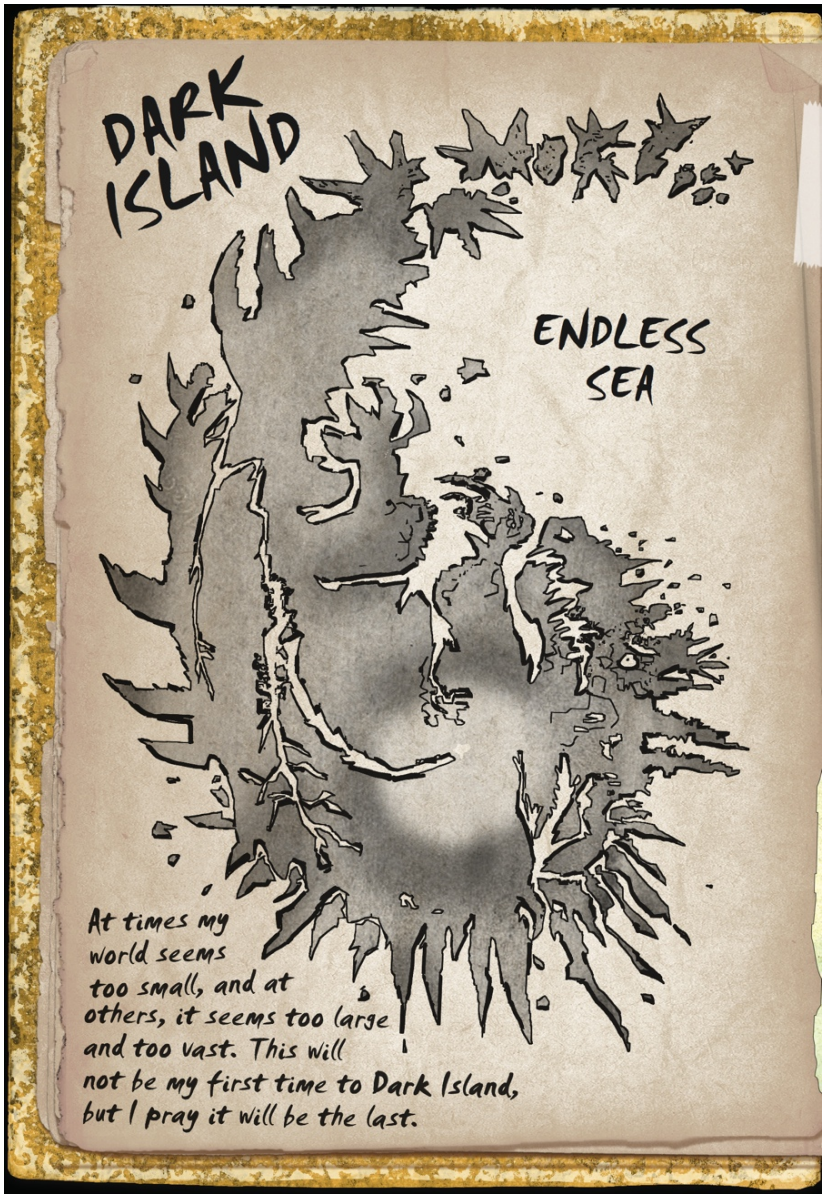
attackers—**pirates**—so at least we have some small idea of what awaits us on Dark Island. Yes, I say "us." I have summoned the ninja, and as I write, they prepare our ship, **Destiny's Bounty**, for our journey. We could not, and we cannot, pierce the mystery of Dark Island by sitting in this harbor. We must dare the storm.



But **Destiny's Bounty** is a sturdy and strong ship. She has been through much, but I believe this journey will test her in new ways—as Dark Island will test all of us to the brink of our strength and mental grit.

I am slowly coming to an understanding of what my role in the journey to Dark Island is...to end the evil of Dark Island. And I will do it, even if I must grind that cursed place to dust. Let the winds howl and the rains lash at my skin, let a thousand shadowy menaces crawl forth from the jungle—nothing will **stop me.**

I am my father's son, and I have his strength and spirit flowing through me. He guided me in my meditations to be prepared for the battle to come. And so I have my ninja packing a large tea crate. They think me a silly old man. What they do **not** know is that my tea crate does **not** hold tea...



At times my world seems too small, and at others, it seems too large and too vast. This will not be my first time to Dark Island, but I pray it will be the last.

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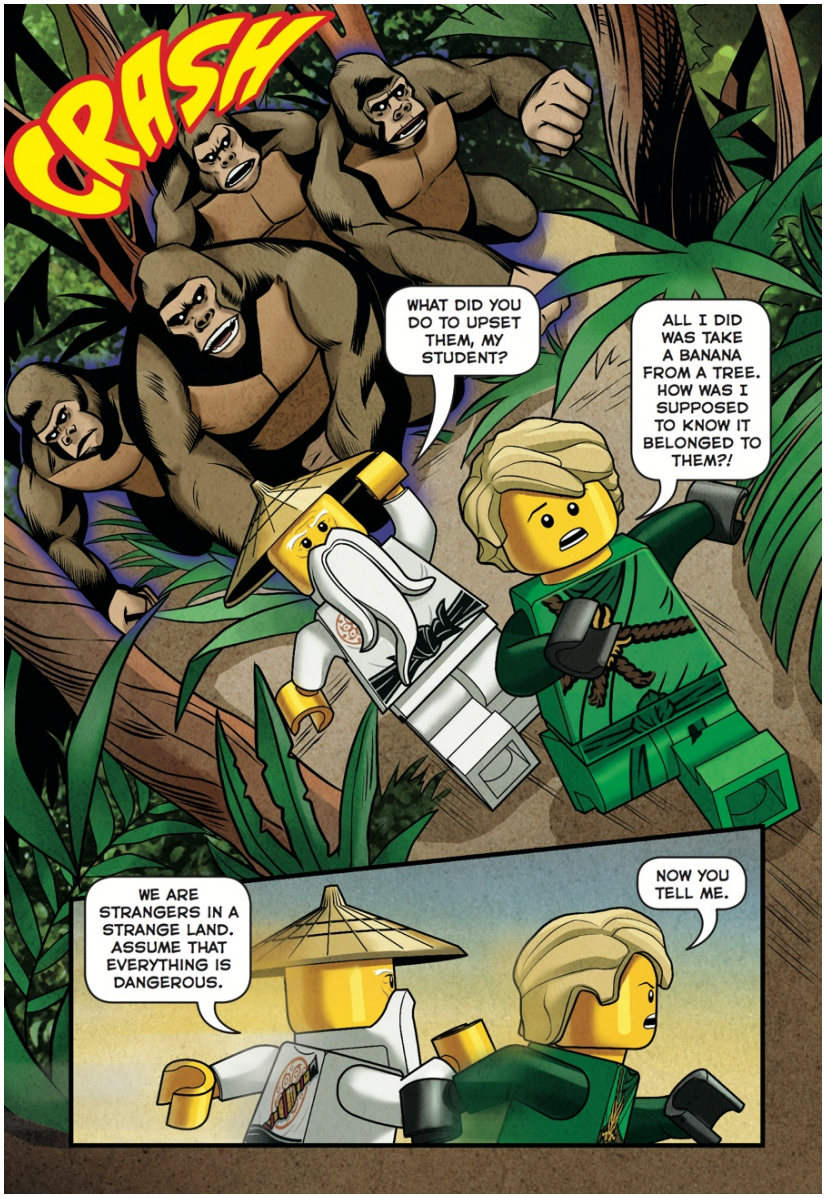
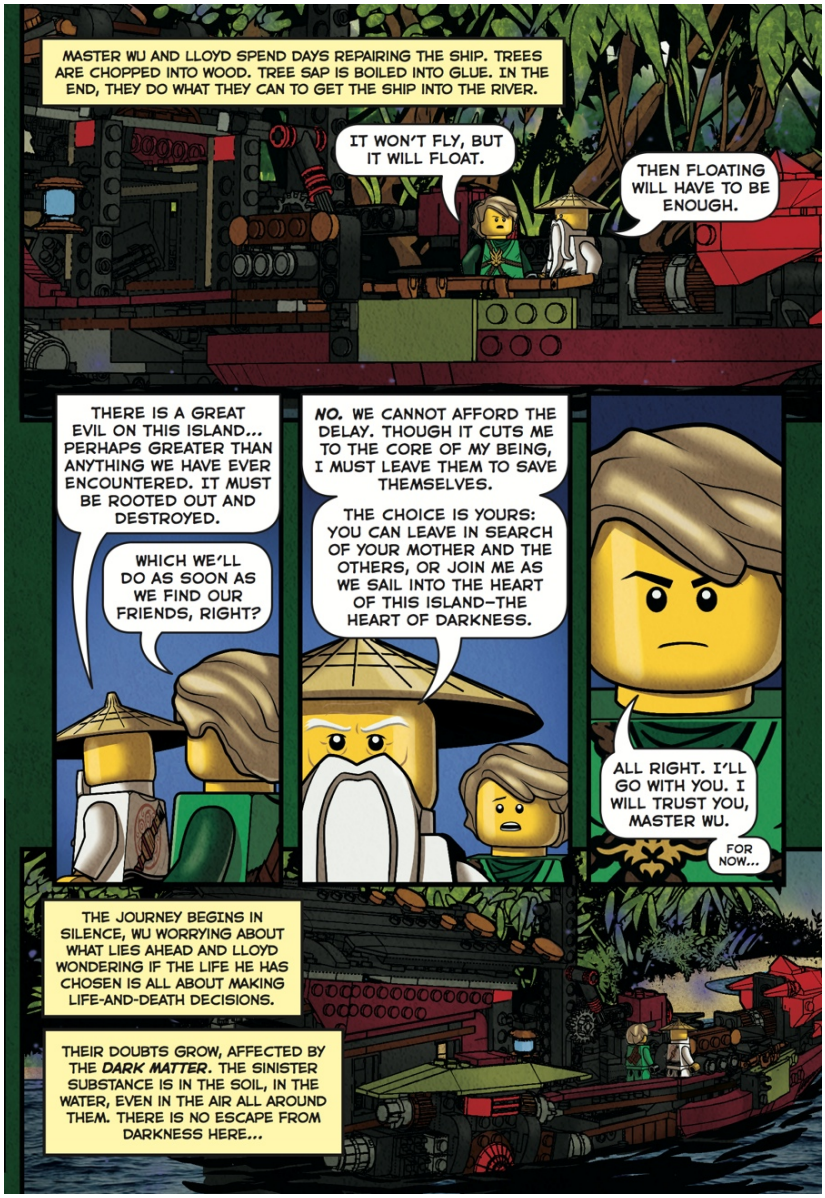
CHAPTER TWO
SHIPWRECKED

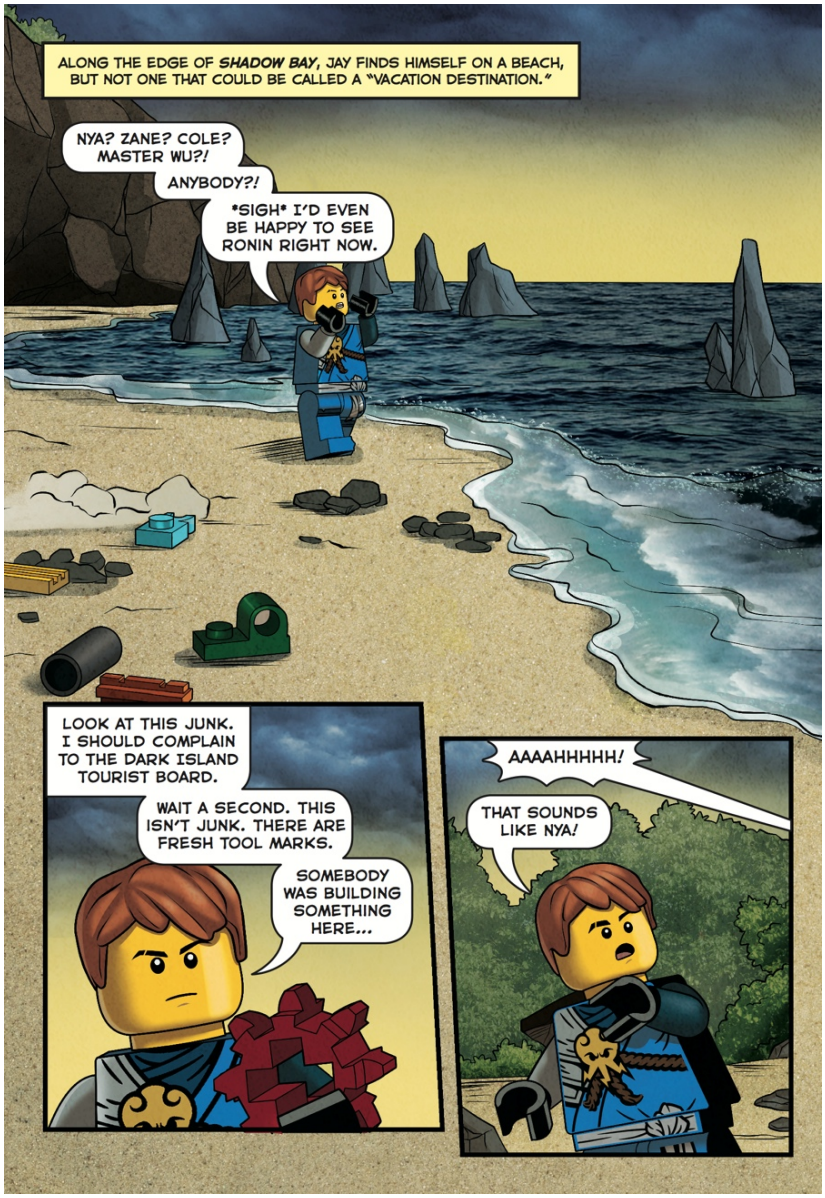
...THE FIRST THING MASTER WU HEARS IS THE SOUND OF TROPICAL BIRDS. THEY ARE SINGING A SONG OF WARNING.
I AM IN ONE PIECE, AND MY LIMBS ALL SEEM TO BE WORKING...MY DAY IS ALREADY FULL OF SURPRISES.
AH, THERE YOU ARE, OLD FRIEND...AND SOMEWHAT THE WORSE FOR WEAR. I BELIEVE–
RUN!
LLOYD, YOU'RE OKAY. HAVE YOU SEEN THE OTHERS?
ALSO, WHY ARE WE RUNNING?
LESS TALKING, MORE RUNNING...


CRASH
WHAT DID YOU DO TO UPSET THEM, MY STUDENT?
ALL I DID WAS TAKE A BANANA FROM A TREE. HOW WAS I SUPPOSED TO KNOW IT BELONGED TO THEM?!
WE ARE STRANGERS IN A STRANGE LAND. ASSUME THAT EVERYTHING IS DANGEROUS.
NOW YOU TELL ME.

HAVE YOU TRIED TO APOLOGIZE?
I DON'T THINK THEY'RE IN THE MOOD.
HEY, WHY IS THE GROUND SUDDENLY ALL SQUISHY AND SOFTTTTT–
WHOA!
SPLUT!
IT SEEMS DARK ISLAND HAS QUICKSAND.
GREAT. EITHER THE GORILLAS OR THE SAND ARE GOING TO EAT US. WHICH IS WORSE?

IT SEEMS THE GORILLAS KNOW OUR FATE IS SEALED. THEY ARE LEAVING. LUCKY FOR US.
HOW IS THAT LUCKY?
IT IS WRITTEN THAT *QUICKSAND* IS LIKE LIFE ITSELF...
SOMETIMES ALL ONE NEEDS IS A HAND TO HOLD.
AND SOME *AIRJITZU!*
LATER...
OKAY, SO THE *BOUNTY* HAD A WORSE LANDING THAN I DID. WHAT DO WE DO NOW?
HOW APPEALING IS BEING STRANDED HERE FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE?
I'D RATHER EAT KAI'S COOKING EVERY NIGHT.
THEN LET US GET TO WORK.


MASTER WU AND LLOYD SPEND DAYS REPAIRING THE SHIP. TREES ARE CHOPPED INTO WOOD. TREE SAP IS BOILED INTO GLUE. IN THE END, THEY DO WHAT THEY CAN TO GET THE SHIP INTO THE RIVER.
IT WON'T FLY, BUT IT WILL FLOAT.
THEN FLOATING WILL HAVE TO BE ENOUGH.
THERE IS A GREAT EVIL ON THIS ISLAND... PERHAPS GREATER THAN ANYTHING WE HAVE EVER ENCOUNTERED. IT MUST BE ROOTED OUT AND DESTROYED.
WHICH WE'LL DO AS SOON AS WE FIND OUR FRIENDS, RIGHT?
NO. WE CANNOT AFFORD THE DELAY. THOUGH IT CUTS ME TO THE CORE OF MY BEING, I MUST LEAVE THEM TO SAVE THEMSELVES.
THE CHOICE IS YOURS: YOU CAN LEAVE IN SEARCH OF YOUR MOTHER AND THE OTHERS, OR JOIN ME AS WE SAIL INTO THE HEART OF THIS ISLAND–THE HEART OF DARKNESS.
ALL RIGHT. I'LL GO WITH YOU. I WILL TRUST YOU, MASTER WU.
FOR NOW...
THE JOURNEY BEGINS IN SILENCE, WU WORRYING ABOUT WHAT LIES AHEAD AND LLOYD WONDERING IF THE LIFE HE HAS CHOSEN IS ALL ABOUT MAKING LIFE-AND-DEATH DECISIONS.
THEIR DOUBTS GROW, AFFECTED BY THE DARK MATTER. THE SINISTER SUBSTANCE IS IN THE SOIL, IN THE WATER, EVEN IN THE AIR ALL AROUND THEM. THERE IS NO ESCAPE FROM DARKNESS HERE...


ALONG THE EDGE OF *SHADOW BAY*, JAY FINDS HIMSELF ON A BEACH, BUT NOT ONE THAT COULD BE CALLED A "VACATION DESTINATION."
NYA? ZANE? COLE? MASTER WU?!
ANYBODY?!
SIGH I'D EVEN BE HAPPY TO SEE RONIN RIGHT NOW.
LOOK AT THIS JUNK. I SHOULD COMPLAIN TO THE DARK ISLAND TOURIST BOARD.
WAIT A SECOND. THIS ISN'T JUNK. THERE ARE FRESH TOOL MARKS.
SOMEBODY WAS BUILDING SOMETHING HERE...
AAAAHHHHH!
THAT SOUNDS LIKE NYA!

I'M COMING, NYA!
NO NEED. I'VE GOT THIS!
BACK OFF!
SPLOOSH
YOU OKAY?
I'M FINE. IT JUST SURPRISED ME, THAT'S ALL.
I HAVE A FEELING THAT'S NOT THE ONLY SURPRISE ON THIS ISLAND. THAT HURRICANE WAS A LITTLE TOO CONVENIENT. HAVE YOU SEEN ANYONE ELSE?
NO, YOU'RE THE FIRST.

MY COMMUNICATOR IS DEAD. IS YOURS WORKING?
NYA TO KAI... NYA TO LLOYD... ANYBODY, COME IN. IS ANYBODY OUT THERE?
MINE IS DEAD TOO.
OR MAYBE... MAYBE THERE ISN'T ANYONE OUT THERE TO CONTACT.
WHAT IF WE'RE THE ONLY SURVIVORS?
LET'S NOT GO THERE. WE HAVE TO STAY POSITIVE. BESIDES, I LIKE YOU, BUT I DON'T WANT TO BE STRANDED HERE WITH YOU FOR THE REST OF OUR LIVES. GRAB A CLUB.
WHAT FOR? EVEN IF OUR EQUIPMENT DOESN'T WORK, WE STILL HAVE OUR POWERS. YOU SOAK 'EM; I ZAP 'EM.
THINK ABOUT IT: IF SOMETHING ON THIS ISLAND CAN SHUT DOWN ELECTRONICS, MAYBE IT CAN SHUT OFF OUR POWERS TOO.

HOURS GO BY AS THE TWO SEARCH THE ROCKY COAST OF NO MAN'S BLUFF.
I SUPPOSE OUR FRIENDS COULD HAVE BEEN CAPTURED BY PIRATES.
WE WILL BE TOO IF YOU DON'T KEEP YOUR VOICE DOWN.
IF WE SEE ANY PIRATES, I'LL DISTRACT THEM AND YOU RUN.
WHY CAN'T I DISTRACT THEM WHILE YOU RUN?
HELP! HELP!
SOMEONE'S IN TROUBLE! HURRY!
EASY, MATEY! STRUGGLING WON'T BE A LICK OF HELP!
HELP! SOMEONE! PLEASE!
TOSS 'EM IN THE TRUCK!

HEY, GUYS, WOULDN'T IT BE EASIER TO JUST GO TO THE FISH MARKET?
AND WHO BE YOU? SOME BOAT'S CREW CAST ASHORE HERE?
IT'S NADAKHAN'S CREW, BUT THEY DON'T REMEMBER US.
THAT'S RIGHT. WE LOVE TO FISH...ESPECIALLY FOR SHARKS LIKE YOU.
CRACK
KICK
SHE'S GOT COURAGE, THIS ONE. COURAGE AND WIT AND A SHARP TONGUE.
I HATE A SHARP TONGUE.
THEN YOU'RE REALLY GOING TO HATE THIS.
SPLASH
AWWWK!

LET'S NAME TODAY "FLY LIKE A PIRATE DAY"!
CRACK!
YOWWW!
AND THAT'S FOR MAKING ME CLEAN THE PIRATES' BATHROOM ON MISFORTUNE'S KEEP—EVEN IF YOU DON'T REMEMBER.
SNIFF
YOU GUYS NEED A BATH. REALLY. HAVE YOU EVER MET A BAR OF SOAP?
WHOOSH
I HOPE NADAKHAN ISN'T INVOLVED HERE. LAST TIME WE FOUGHT, HE ALMOST WON.
AAACCK!
AAAARRRRR!
HEY, REMEMBER LAST TIME WE COMBINED OUR POWERS? WANNA TRY IT AGAIN?
SURE, BUT LET'S DO SOMETHING DIFFERENT THIS TIME...

FZZZZAAKKK
SWASH!
WE MAKE A PRETTY GOOD PAIR, HUH?
YEAH, WE DO!
WOULD YOU PEOPLE KEEP IT DOWN? I'M TRYING TO SLEEP IN MY CAVE!

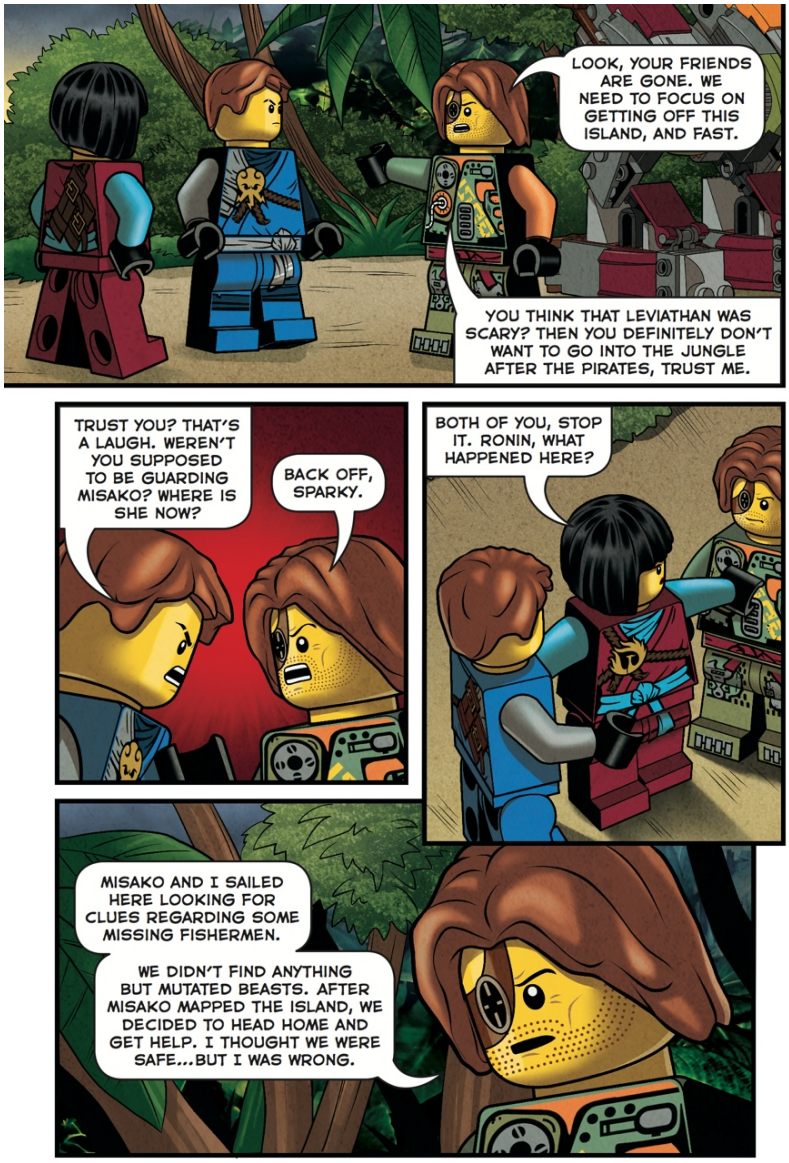
OH, HEY, JAY! HI, NYA! DID YOU COME TO RESCUE ME?!
RONIN?!
WHY, YOU–!
WHERE'S MISAKO, RONIN? OR DID YOU SELL HER TO THE PIRATES TO KEEP YOURSELF SAFE?
HEY! WHEN I SIGN UP FOR A JOB, I DO IT! AND I DO IT WELL.
RONIN, BEHIND–
DON'T INTERRUPT ME! LET ME EXPLAIN WHAT HAPPENED–

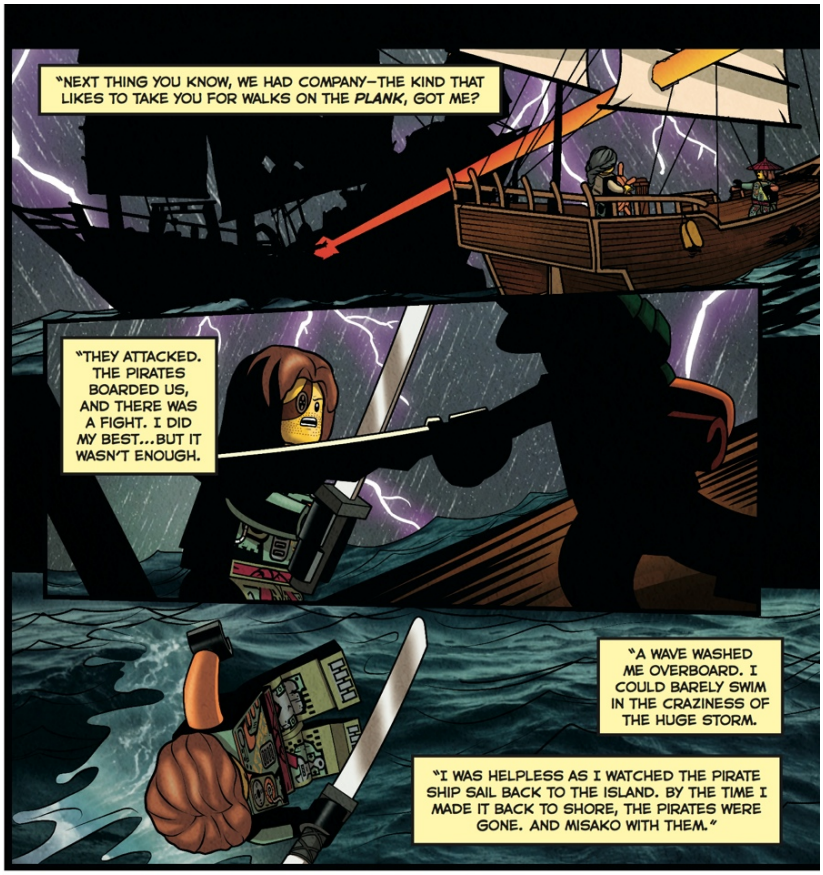
UH...CAN SOMEONE HELP ME? PLEASE?!
JAY, YOU STOP THE PIRATES FROM ESCAPING. I'LL FIGHT THE LEVIATHAN AND SAVE RONIN.
WAIT! I'M NOT LEAVING YOU, NYA!
SPLASH
COME ON, UGLY, KEEP YOUR EYES ON ME!

RONIN!
NYA, LOOK OUT!
NOW, I BETTER AIM THIS RIGHT, OR IT'S GOING TO BE *FRIED AND CRISPY* RONIN.
ZZZZAAKKK
I HOPE THERE'S A PART TWO TO THIS PLAN!
GIVE A GUY A LITTLE WARNING NEXT TIME, WOULD YOU?
I HAVE TO GO HELP NYA. FIND A PLACE TO HIDE.

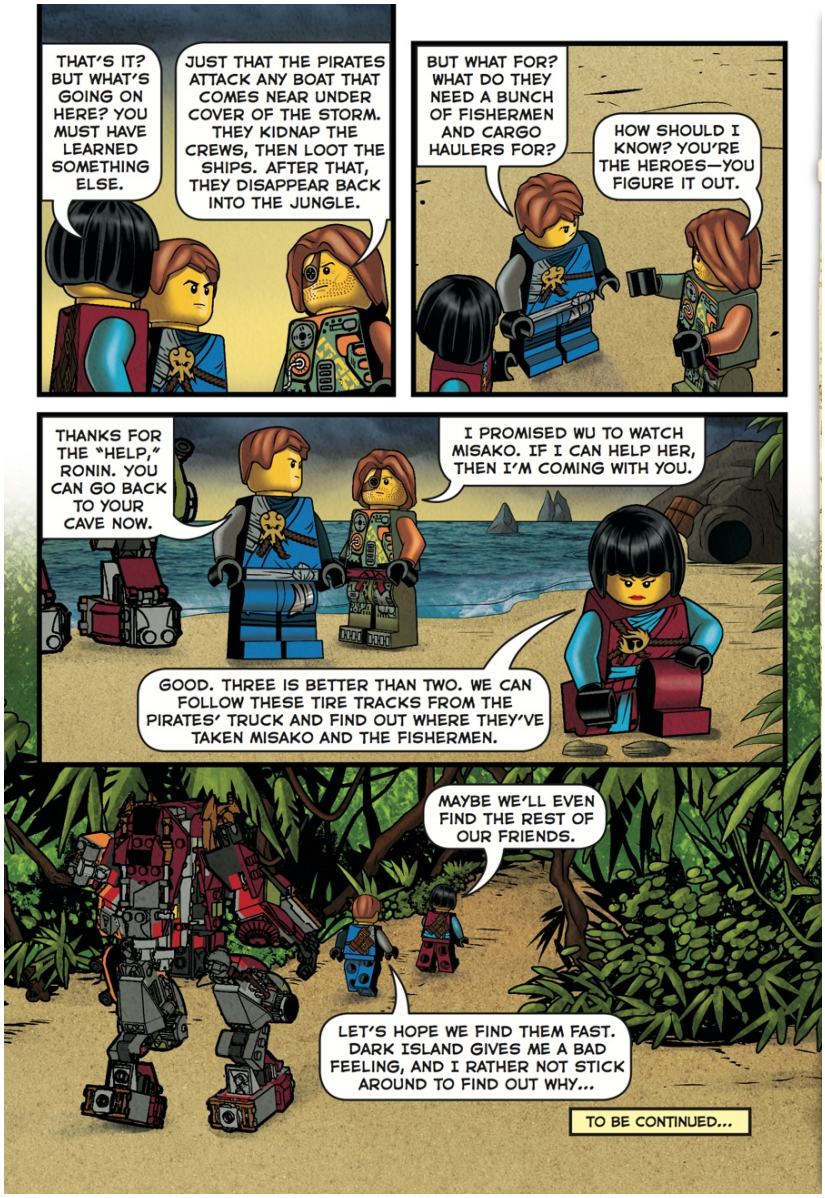
HIDE? YOU'RE IN FOR A BIG SURPRISE, NINJA.
LET'S GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE THAT SEA MONSTER EATS US FOR LUNCH!
JAY, WHY DIDN'T YOU LISTEN TO ME?! NOW THE PIRATES ARE GETTING AWAY!
I WAS JUST TRYING TO HELP!
SPLASH
ZZZZAAKKK
HA-HA! WHO NEEDS NINJA WHEN YOU'VE GOT A RONIN?
VROOOM

COME ON, NYA, POUR IT ON! DRIVE IT BACK INTO THE SEA!
THOOM! THOOM!
WE DID IT!
OF COURSE WE DID.
WHERE DID YOU GET THAT SUIT?
PUT IT TOGETHER WITH ODDS AND ENDS I FOUND AROUND HERE. LIKE IT?
WELL, IT'S NO SAMURAI X SUIT, BUT IT CAME IN HANDY.
WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR? LET'S GET TO YOUR BOAT AND GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE MORE PIRATES OR SEA MONSTERS SHOW UP.
OH, UH, ABOUT THAT...OUR SHIP IS KINDA GONE.
EVEN IF IT WERE HERE, WE'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE—NOT WITHOUT OUR TEAM.


LOOK, YOUR FRIENDS ARE GONE. WE NEED TO FOCUS ON GETTING OFF THIS ISLAND, AND FAST.
YOU THINK THAT LEVIATHAN WAS SCARY? THEN YOU DEFINITELY DON'T WANT TO GO INTO THE JUNGLE AFTER THE PIRATES, TRUST ME.
TRUST YOU? THAT'S A LAUGH. WEREN'T YOU SUPPOSED TO BE GUARDING MISAKO? WHERE IS SHE NOW?
BACK OFF, SPARKY.
BOTH OF YOU, STOP IT. RONIN, WHAT HAPPENED HERE?
MISAKO AND I SAILED HERE LOOKING FOR CLUES REGARDING SOME MISSING FISHERMEN.
WE DIDN'T FIND ANYTHING BUT MUTATED BEASTS. AFTER MISAKO MAPPED THE ISLAND, WE DECIDED TO HEAD HOME AND GET HELP. I THOUGHT WE WERE SAFE...BUT I WAS WRONG.


"NEXT THING YOU KNOW, WE HAD COMPANY—THE KIND THAT LIKES TO TAKE YOU FOR WALKS ON THE *PLANK*, GOT ME?
"THEY ATTACKED. THE PIRATES BOARDED US, AND THERE WAS A FIGHT. I DID MY BEST...BUT IT WASN'T ENOUGH.
"A WAVE WASHED ME OVERBOARD. I COULD BARELY SWIM IN THE CRAZINESS OF THE HUGE STORM.
"I WAS HELPLESS AS I WATCHED THE PIRATE SHIP SAIL BACK TO THE ISLAND. BY THE TIME I MADE IT BACK TO SHORE, THE PIRATES WERE GONE. AND MISAKO WITH THEM."

I LOOKED FOR HER AFTER, BUT COULDN'T FIND HER. THE JUNGLE HAS TERRIBLE CREATURES AND MONSTERS YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE...
EVER SINCE, I'VE BEEN STAYING UNDER COVER ON THE BEACH AND KEEPING AN EYE OUT FOR A WAY OFF THIS ROCK.


THAT'S IT? BUT WHAT'S GOING ON HERE? YOU MUST HAVE LEARNED SOMETHING ELSE.
JUST THAT THE PIRATES ATTACK ANY BOAT THAT COMES NEAR UNDER COVER OF THE STORM. THEY KIDNAP THE CREWS, THEN LOOT THE SHIPS. AFTER THAT, THEY DISAPPEAR BACK INTO THE JUNGLE.
BUT WHAT FOR? WHAT DO THEY NEED A BUNCH OF FISHERMEN AND CARGO HAULERS FOR?
HOW SHOULD I KNOW? YOU'RE THE HEROES—YOU FIGURE IT OUT.
THANKS FOR THE "HELP," RONIN. YOU CAN GO BACK TO YOUR CAVE NOW.
I PROMISED WU TO WATCH MISAKO. IF I CAN HELP HER, THEN I'M COMING WITH YOU.
GOOD. THREE IS BETTER THAN TWO. WE CAN FOLLOW THESE TIRE TRACKS FROM THE PIRATES' TRUCK AND FIND OUT WHERE THEY'VE TAKEN MISAKO AND THE FISHERMEN.
MAYBE WE'LL EVEN FIND THE REST OF OUR FRIENDS.
LET'S HOPE WE FIND THEM FAST. DARK ISLAND GIVES ME A BAD FEELING, AND I RATHER NOT STICK AROUND TO FIND OUT WHY...
TO BE CONTINUED...

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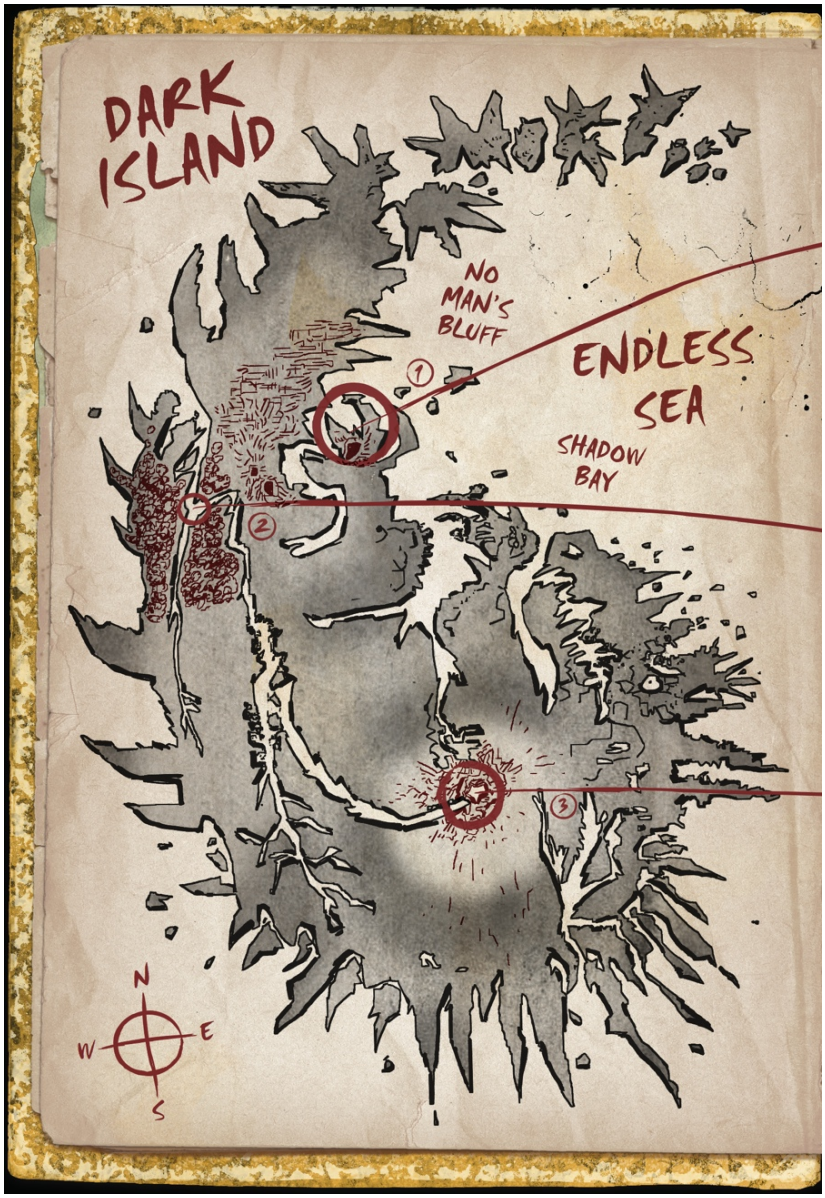
DARK ISLAND
NO MAN'S BLUFF
ENDLESS SEA
SHADOW BAY
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1 During the great storm that separated me and my ninja, I thought I saw Nya land here, on this beach. I hope that Jay landed close by. Together, I know they will be safe.

2 This is where I crashed, along with Destiny's Bounty. Lloyd was not too far off. I only hope my other ninja are close.

3 Now that I am here on Dark Island, I have the innate feeling I should take the river south toward the Temple of Light. In all my years, I have learned to always trust that instinct within me...

DAY 10

The world has at last stopped spinning long enough for me, Master Wu, to resume this journal. Let me begin by saying that I am bruised and sore, but physically intact. As for my mental faculties... well, I awoke to find myself lying on the jungle floor on Dark Island, with a damaged ship and no obvious way to escape from this place.

You could say I am living a nightmare... but you would be wrong.

Destiny's Bounty is too badly damaged to fly, that is true. But I was fortunate to discover that the crash had deposited Lloyd not far from me. After a small adventure of our own, he and I were able to assess the ship. It is damaged, but not destroyed. Together, he and I may be able to fix it.

Though I am worried about Misako, Ronin, and the rest of my ninja, I know that all are capable of taking care of themselves.

No, I am where I am meant to be. The imbalance between **Light and Dark,** the sense of something fundamentally wrong with the universe, continues to grow. Its source is this island, and it can only be combated here.

The storm that brought down **Destiny's Bounty** was not natural. The dark and tainted seas around this island can be found nowhere else in the world. They are all the product of the corrupting force that lives on this island—the substance called Dark Matter. Dark Matter can be mistaken for mud, but in truth, is pure concentrated evil with a dangerous influence. Even now, I can feel tendrils of force reaching into my brain, trying to extinguish the **Light** and turn me toward the **Darkness.**

It is writing this journal that will help me remain true to who I am. It is remembering my friends in this way that will keep me from betraying their faith in me.

DAY 13

Destiny's Bounty has seen better days. For the last few days, Lloyd and I worked tirelessly to repair the ship. We made glue from tree sap and the cocoons of spike slugs, boiling it over a campfire. We sewed the sails using Airjitzu and a needle and thread—the thread being vines found in the surrounding jungle. We gathered wood, sometimes making it with endless karate chops to the local trees.

It was good to work, to keep our bodies and minds busy. This island is a dark place and it tries to get in when you are weakest. I am only sorry we could not have worked longer, but the clock is ticking...

In the end, the Bounty will not lift into the air, not one inch—not without extensive

repairs we have neither the time nor the materials for. But we worked together and have rendered the ship seaworthy again. She will not fly, but she will **float**.

Naturally, Lloyd wants to search for Misako right away. But I know that we must head up the river, toward the **Temple of Light**. If the balance is threatened by events on this island, the temple will be the focal point of the struggle. Whatever must be done by us **must** be done there.

Even with all my training and discipline, I find it increasingly hard to ward off the darkness that tries to encroach upon my mind. Perhaps it is asking too much of any mortal mind to resist the power of Dark Matter for long. My students and I have come across it before, but it has never been this strong. Perhaps the villain behind this plot is bringing it closer to the surface...but how?

It doesn't matter. I must resist, for the sake of my spirit and those who depend on me.

– Evening

This entire island must be made of Dark Matter, for no matter how far we sail up the river, I find my mind wandering to dark places more and more. But I will fight these shadowy urges. Perhaps if I focus upon my allies in this fight, it will strengthen my resolve to go on. After so very many years fighting alone, I now have ninja who have used my teachings to do great good for this world. My pride in them knows no bounds.

I will begin with Lloyd, my nephew, perhaps the son that could have been mine. When I first met him, he was a child, trying in vain to become a villain like his father. But he could not deny his true nature, and the love and light that his mother, Misako, had given to him. He became an ally of the ninja and, when the time came, embraced his destiny as the **Green Ninja.** Even when the Power of the Golden Dragon was his, he did not shy away from it, but used it to save our world.

Lloyd is easily the most powerful of the ninja and a leader on the team. Yet he still defers to the others when he knows their expertise in a matter may surpass his. Even when circumstances put him in opposition to his father, Garmadon, his loyalty to the team never wavered. And now? With Misako missing somewhere on this cursed island, I can feel his overwhelming need to find her. I fear that, in his youth, and blinded by worry for Misako, he may prove vulnerable to the Dark Matter on this island. If he should turn evil, we would all be in terrible danger.

DAY 14

Here, the nights are freezing, and the days sweltering and hot. This place takes every advantage to weaken its inhabitants physically while the Dark Matter siphons their spirits and minds. I am thankful that Lloyd and I have each other, though I do wish the others were here as well. I will focus on my allies to help calm my mind...

Nya. She has already known the touch of Dark Matter. It was not so long ago that exposure to only a small amount of it corrupted her temporarily. If she carries that memory in the back of her mind on this quest, then that is where it shall remain. I have known few people as strong willed and as disciplined as she.

At first, her association with the team grew out of her kinship with Kai, our fire

ninja. Or so my ninja thought—but I knew better. She showed a remarkable instinct for working with machinery and a desire to be part of the team, but I pretended that she was not ready. She needed more time to grow on her own, to help her reach her true potential. I always knew one day she would be one of the ninja.

Wanting more than her lot, and unwilling to wait any longer, Nya constructed a Samurai Mech on her own. Her identity concealed, she aided the ninja against the Serpentine as a mysterious masked samurai. When I discovered the samurai's identity, her actions made me proud. Finally, I believed she was ready. I offered to train her as a ninja, but she had grown to like her Samurai X identity and did not want to relinquish it. She would not be defined by the "boy's club."

In time, she discovered what I already knew: She had elemental abilities of her own. Misako, Ronin, and I worked together to train her, and now she is the Water Ninja. She has adjusted to her new powers remarkably well and has carved a niche of her own with the team. She is not just Kai's sister, Jay's girlfriend, or even Samurai X anymore—she is as brave and capable a warrior as anyone could hope for.

:- Evening

Night draws near, and the Darkness seeks to corrupt me through the growing shadows. But I will remain true to myself and think of my ninja. Earlier today I spoke fondly of Nya. It is hard to think of Nya without thinking of Jay.

My lightning ninja has been enchanted by Nya from the day they first met. As inventive as he is, it seemed he would never be able to devise a way to get her attention. But it appears that the two have finally arrived at a mutual agreement that they are more than friends.

Jay is not the most powerful of all the ninja, or the most serious minded. But I shudder to think where the team would be without him. He was raised by two loving foster parents in a scrapyard, a paradise for a boy who loved to tinker from a young age. The idea that something could not be invented or could not be built never occurred to Jay. Every obstacle was just a challenge to be overcome.

He embraced the adventure of being a ninja and fighting evil. No matter how dark the situation, he always had a joke on his lips or a gadget he could create to save the day. He seemed to understand that fear and tension were just as insidious an enemy as a pirate or a Stone Warrior could be. Of all the ninja, he may be the most resourceful and the one you most want by your side in a crisis (though he is too modest to agree with that).

DAY 15

I suspect the Dark Matter is in more than just the soil—it is in the water, perhaps even in the air. It poisons the body, the mind, and the spirit. But I know I am stronger than these evil summons. Though we have only been here a week, it seems more like an eternity.

While every fiber of my instinct beckons me to take my friends and run, I must stay true to my journey—to my destiny—that which began with my father and must continue with me. My path has **always** been to uphold my father's legacy and protect the world of Ninjago from evil. Many people would think me destined for one great battle. But as darkness takes many shapes, **so must the light.**

Once, I gathered four ninja to save the Golden Weapons from Garmadon when he was evil. Then, I trained my ninja to protect the Chosen One. But even after defeating the Great Devourer, we were not done. We helped in the destruction of the Overlord who possessed my brother's body and became even more powerful. Still, we overcame the worst evil had to offer.

In all those battles, my role changed each time. Teacher, warrior, brother, uncle. But I have not yet been the direct hero to defeat the villain. Not until now did I truly sense that the battle is up to me and me alone. Destiny surprises me with that. Surely, Lloyd or the other ninja are better suited to snuff out the evil on Dark Island, but in my meditations I have discovered it is not their time. This battle—this is mine.

This is my destiny.

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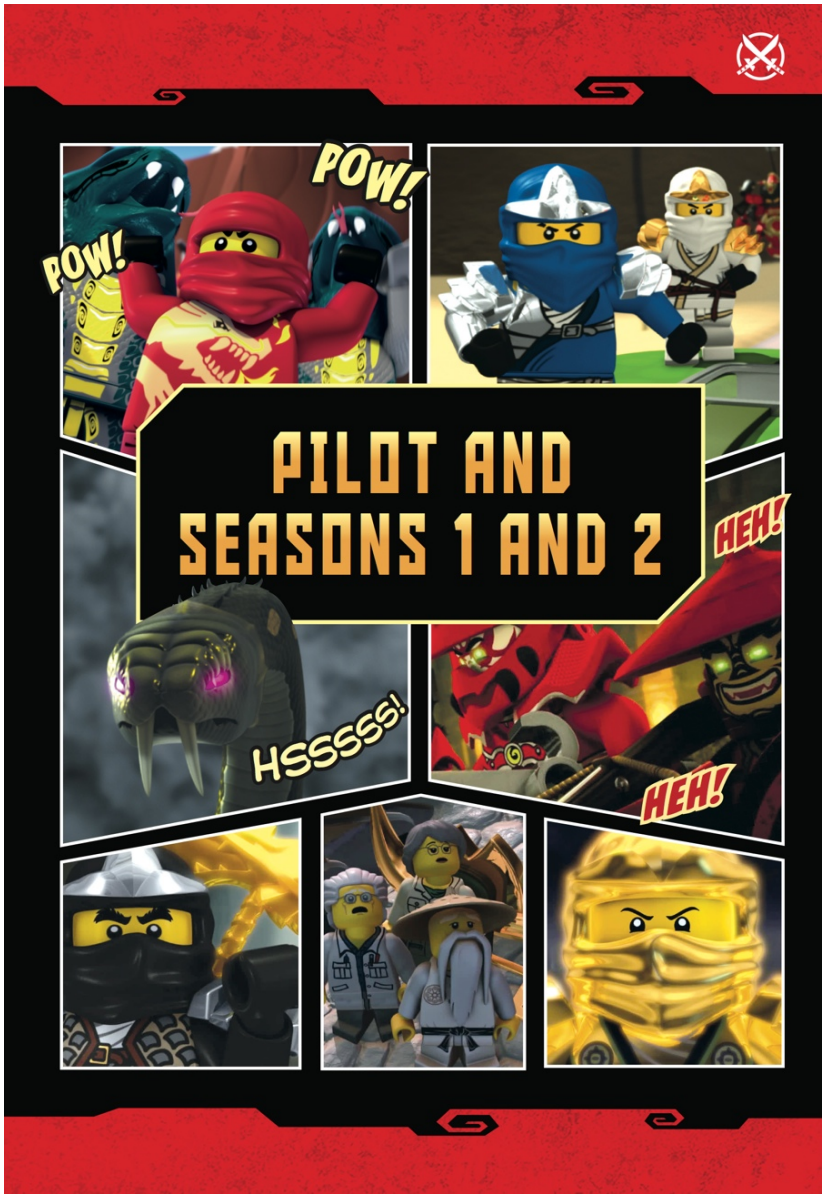
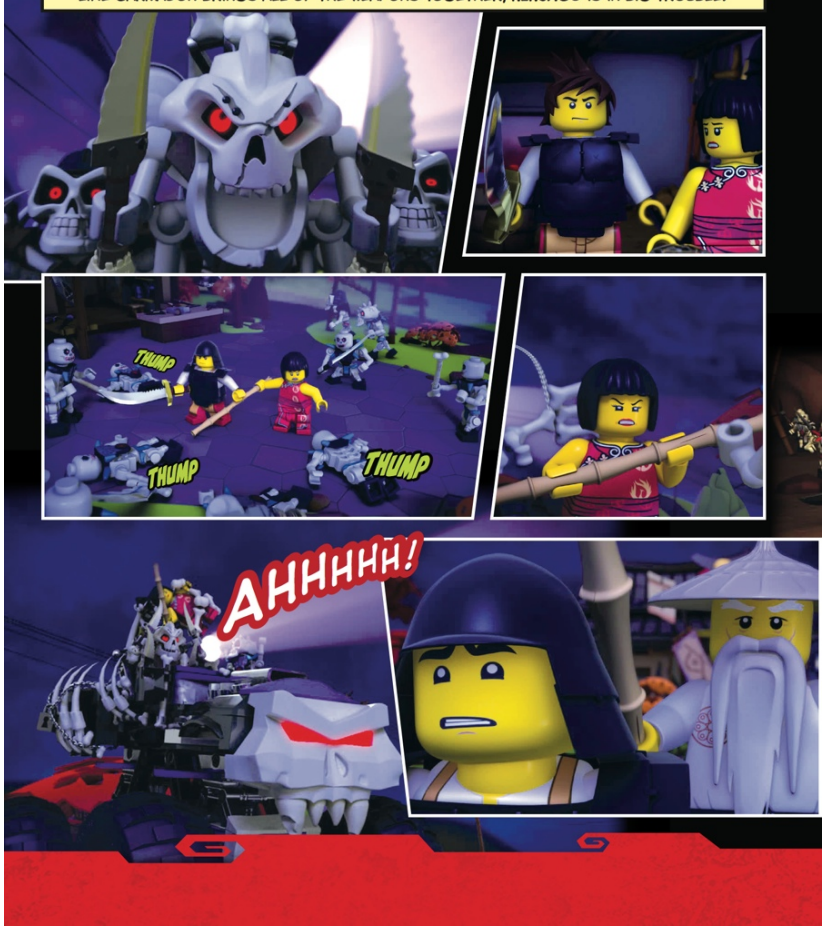
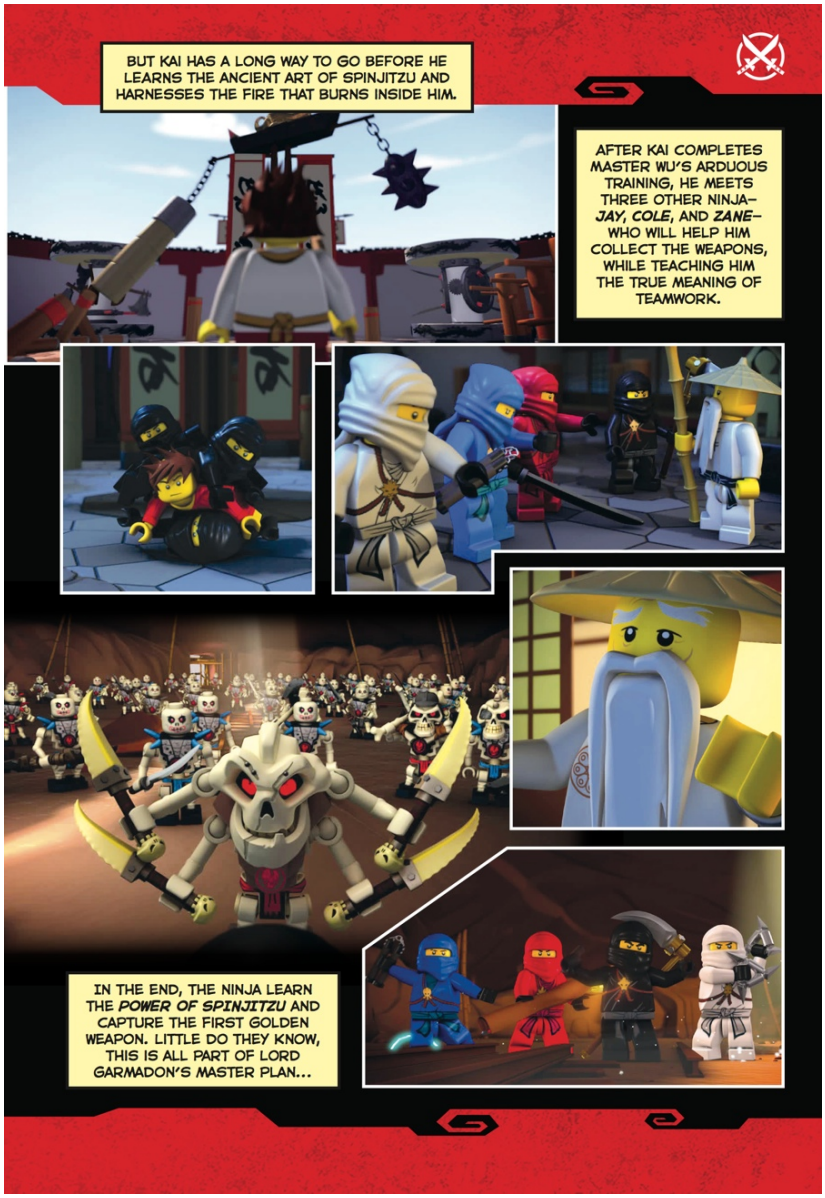

POW!
POW!
PILOT AND
SEASONS 1 AND 2
HEH!
HSSSSS!
HEH!

WAY OF THE NINJA

WHEN HIS SISTER, ***NYA,*** IS KIDNAPPED BY THE ***SKULKINS,*** A YOUNG AND IMPATIENT BLACKSMITH NAMED ***KAI*** LEARNS FROM ***MASTER WU*** THAT HE PLAYS AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN STOPPING ***LORD GARMADON*** FROM COLLECTING THE ***GOLDEN WEAPONS*** OF ***SPINJITZU.*** IF SOMEONE EVIL LIKE GARMADON BRINGS ALL OF THE WEAPONS TOGETHER, ***NINJAGO*** IS IN BIG TROUBLE!




BUT KAI HAS A LONG WAY TO GO BEFORE HE LEARNS THE ANCIENT ART OF SPINJITZU AND HARNESSES THE FIRE THAT BURNS INSIDE HIM.
AFTER KAI COMPLETES MASTER WU'S ARDUOUS TRAINING, HE MEETS THREE OTHER NINJA– *JAY*, *COLE*, AND *ZANE*– WHO WILL HELP HIM COLLECT THE WEAPONS, WHILE TEACHING HIM THE TRUE MEANING OF TEAMWORK.
IN THE END, THE NINJA LEARN THE *POWER OF SPINJITZU* AND CAPTURE THE FIRST GOLDEN WEAPON. LITTLE DO THEY KNOW, THIS IS ALL PART OF LORD GARMADON'S MASTER PLAN...

KING OF SHADOWS

THE NINJA TRAVEL FAR AND WIDE, MANAGING TO COLLECT TWO MORE GOLDEN WEAPONS.

BUT WHILE THE OTHERS REST, LORD GARMADON PLAYS TO KAI'S EGO AND TEMPTS HIM AWAY TO COLLECT THE LAST WEAPON BY HIMSELF. KAI BELIEVES HE IS SAVING HIS SISTER, BUT HIS SELFISH QUEST ENABLES LORD GARMADON TO UNITE ALL FOUR WEAPONS.

LUCKILY, MASTER WU INTERVENES AND TAKES THE ***FIRE SWORD*** TO THE ***UNDERWORLD***, SACRIFICING HIMSELF TO BUY THE NINJA MORE TIME.

THE NINJA FORGIVE KAI AND USE THE MYSTICAL POWERS OF THE DRAGONS TO TRAVEL TO THE UNDERWORLD, WHERE THEY USE THE TORNADO OF CREATION TO DEFEAT THE SKULKINS.
WOOSH
HOWEVER, IT'S NOT ENOUGH. LORD GARMADON'S MASTER PLAN IS REVEALED WHEN SKULKIN KING SAMUKAI TRIES TO USE ALL OF THE WEAPONS AT ONCE, ONLY TO DESTROY HIMSELF AND OPEN UP A VORTEX TO AN UNKNOWN WORLD.
LORD GARMADON KNOWS NO ONE CAN HANDLE ALL FOUR WEAPONS AT ONCE, SO HE JUMPS INTO THE VORTEX IN ORDER TO ONE DAY RETURN TO NINJAGO WITH THE POWER TO POSSESS ALL FOUR. THE NINJA TAKE UP THE GOLDEN WEAPONS AND SWEAR TO PROTECT THE WORLD ON THE DAY EVIL RETURNS.

RISE OF THE SNAKES

WITH LORD GARMADON GONE, PEACE HAS FALLEN ONTO NINJAGO. THIS LEADS THE NINJA TO BECOME CONTENT WITHOUT FULLY MASTERING THEIR GOLDEN WEAPONS. MASTER WU WARNS THAT GARMADON WILL RETURN FOR THE WEAPONS AND UNTIL THEN, THEY MUST PRACTICE AND STAY SHARP. AFTER ALL, THEY'VE ONLY SCRATCHED THE SURFACE OF THEIR ABILITIES AND HAVE YET TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL.

THE NINJA DISCOVER A PROPHECY THAT SAYS "THE GREEN NINJA WILL DEFEAT GARMADON." THIS DISRUPTS THE TEAM HARMONY AS EACH WANTS TO BE THIS CHOSEN ONE.

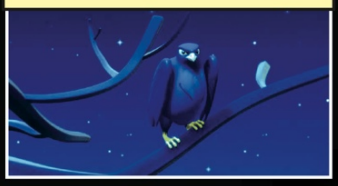
IN A NEARBY VILLAGE, A TROUBLED YOUTH—NAMED ***LLOYD GARMADON***—ACCIDENTALLY UNLOCKS THE TOMB OF A MYSTERIOUS SNAKE TRIBE CALLED ***THE HYPNOBRAI*** AND COMES TO CONTROL THEIR LEADER. HE USES THE SNAKE ARMY TO ATTACK THE TOWN.

BUT THE NINJA TEAM WORKS TOGETHER TO CAPTURE THE HYPNOBRAI GENERAL'S *STAFF*, WHICH HOLDS THE *ANTIVENOM*.
POW!
POW!
HSOOMS
WITH NYA'S HELP, THEY SAVE THE VILLAGE FROM THE MIND-CONTROL POWERS OF THEIR NEW ENEMY.
KICK!
LITTLE DO THEY KNOW, WHEN THEY RETURN HOME, COLE IS SECRETLY HYPNOTIZED!

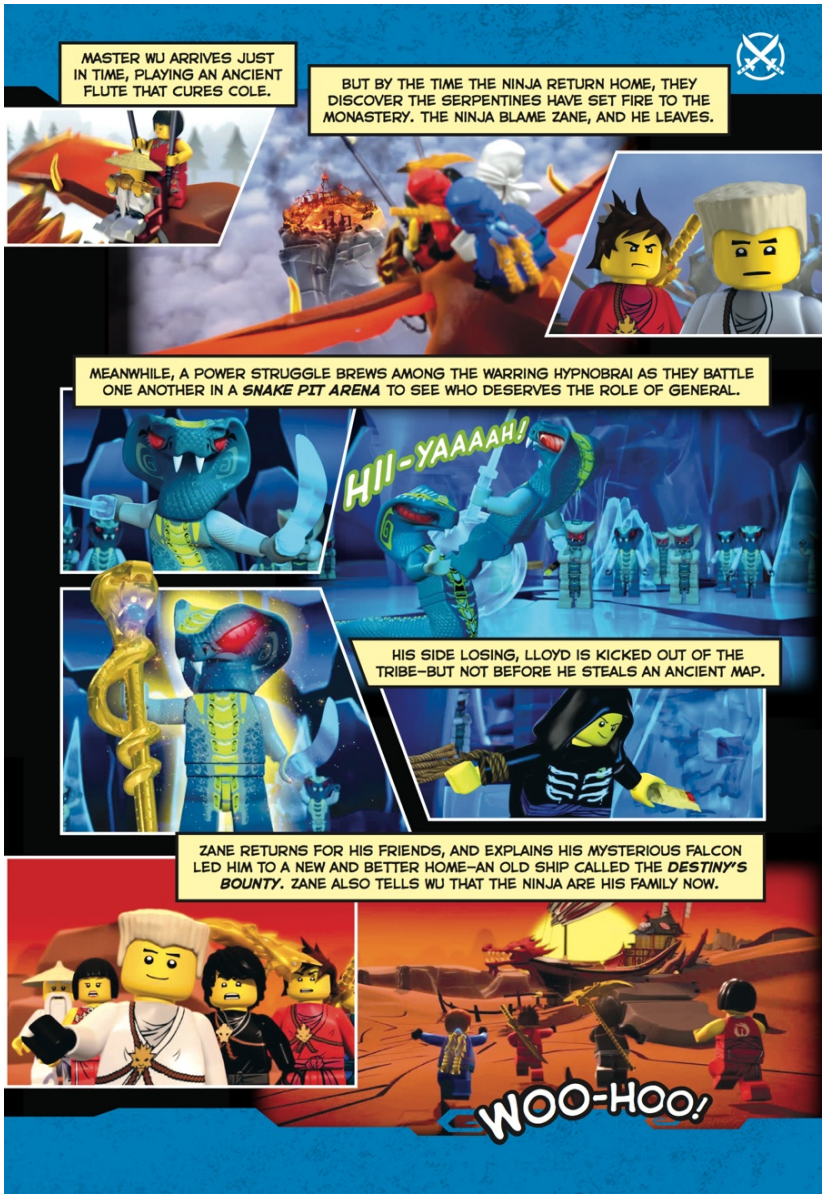
HOME

MASTER WU DISCOVERS THAT HIS NINJA ARE FINALLY TAKING THEIR TRAINING SERIOUSLY. BUT ZANE FEELS LIKE THE "ODD MAN OUT" AS KAI, JAY, AND COLE THINK HE'S WEIRD, ESPECIALLY SINCE HE DOESN'T REMEMBER HAVING HAD A FAMILY.

IN AN EFFORT TO DO SOME SOUL-SEARCHING, ZANE FOLLOWS A ***FALCON***, WHICH LEADS HIM TO A TREE FORTRESS, BUILT BY LLOYD AND THE HYPNOBRAI.



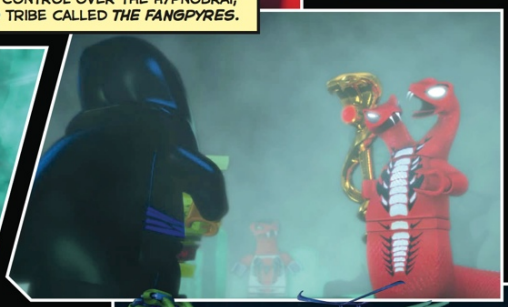
AS THE NINJA ATTACK THE BAD GUYS, THE FIGHT TURNS DEADLY WHEN THE HYPNOBRAI ACTIVATE COLE—WHO IS STILL HYPNOTIZED—TO BATTLE HIS FRIENDS.


MASTER WU ARRIVES JUST IN TIME, PLAYING AN ANCIENT FLUTE THAT CURES COLE.
BUT BY THE TIME THE NINJA RETURN HOME, THEY DISCOVER THE SERPENTINES HAVE SET FIRE TO THE MONASTERY. THE NINJA BLAME ZANE, AND HE LEAVES.
MEANWHILE, A POWER STRUGGLE BREWS AMONG THE WARRING HYPNOBRAI AS THEY BATTLE ONE ANOTHER IN A *SNAKE PIT ARENA* TO SEE WHO DESERVES THE ROLE OF GENERAL.
HI!-YAAAAH!
HIS SIDE LOSING, LLOYD IS KICKED OUT OF THE TRIBE—BUT NOT BEFORE HE STEALS AN ANCIENT MAP.
ZANE RETURNS FOR HIS FRIENDS, AND EXPLAINS HIS MYSTERIOUS FALCON LED HIM TO A NEW AND BETTER HOME—AN OLD SHIP CALLED THE *DESTINY'S BOUNTY*. ZANE ALSO TELLS WU THAT THE NINJA ARE HIS FAMILY NOW.
WOO-HOO!

SNAKEBIT

MASTER WU TASKS THE NINJA WITH CHORES, AND THEY END UP GIVING THE OLD SHIP A COMPLETE MAKEOVER JUST IN TIME FOR A VISIT FROM JAY'S PARENTS.

MEANWHILE, AFTER LOSING CONTROL OVER THE HYPNOBRAI, LLOYD UNLOCKS A SECOND TRIBE CALLED ***THE FANGPYRES***.



LATER, THE FANGPYRES ATTACK JAY'S PARENTS AT THEIR JUNKYARD, BITING AND INFECTING THE WRECKAGE, AND TRANSFORMING IT INTO AN ARMY OF SNAKE VEHICLES.

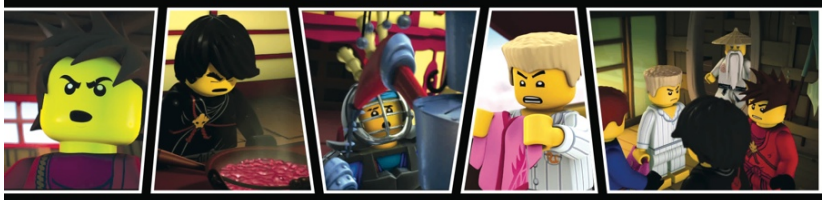
THE NINJA SPRING INTO ACTION, AS THEIR NEW HOME TAKES TO THE AIR.
ARRRGH!
BUT THE FANGPYRE GENERAL ESCAPES WITH HIS ANTIVENOM STAFF IN A RATTLERCOPTER, LEAVING JAY'S PARENTS BEHIND, SLOWLY TRANSFORMING INTO SNAKES.
WITH LITTLE TIME AND NO WAY TO CHASE THE FANGPYRES, MASTER WU REVEALS THERE ARE STILL MANY UNTAPPED SECRETS TO THE GOLDEN WEAPONS. THE NINJA DISCOVER THAT THEIR WEAPONS CAN BE ACTIVATED TO MAGICALLY TRANSFORM NINJA VEHICLES.
KAI GETS THE BLADE CYCLE, COLE GETS THE TREAD ASSAULT, ZANE RECEIVES AN ICE MOBILE, AND JAY A STORM FIGHTER.
IN THE END, JAY BATTLES THE FIENDS IN AN AERIAL ASSAULT. WITH HELP FROM NYA, HE SAVES THE ANTIVENOM AND CURES HIS PARENTS.

NEVER TRUST A SNAKE

THERE, LLOYD MEETS THE LAST SURVIVING ANACONDRAI, *PYTHOR.*
HSSSSS!
ALTHOUGH LLOYD IS SUSPICIOUS OF PYTHOR'S MOTIVES, HE FALLS UNDER THE SERPENT'S CHARM AND THE TWO BECOME BEST FRIENDS AND DECIDE TO SET A TRAP FOR THE NINJA AT THE BOARDING SCHOOL FOR BAD BOYS.
WHOA!
THERE, THE NINJA FIGHT AGAINST THE ANACONDRAI AND LLOYD UNTIL PYTHOR BETRAYS HIM, AND STEALS HIS MAP OF THE SERPENTINE TOMBS.
PYTHOR VANISHES, AND LLOYD IS CAPTURED BY THE NINJA. BUT INSTEAD OF PUNISHING HIS TROUBLED NEPHEW, MASTER WU READS HIM A BEDTIME STORY, THUS TEACHING THE NINJA THE BEST WAY TO DEFEAT AN ENEMY IS TO MAKE HIM YOUR FRIEND.

CAN OF WORMS

LLOYD CAUSES SOME TROUBLE AMONG THE NINJA, WHO QUICKLY FIND HIM OUT.



BUT IT TURNS OUT HE IS ONLY HELPING WU WITH THEIR DAILY LESSON OF NOT LISTENING TO RUMORS.

LATER, THE NINJA SPLIT UP TO FIND THE LAST TWO SERPENTINE TOMBS. ZANE AND COLE FIND ***THE CONSTRICTAI*** AND DISCOVER KAI AND JAY ARE HEADING INTO A TRAP WITH ***THE VENOMARI.***

BY THE TIME THE NINJA REUNITE, IT IS TOO LATE. PYTHOR STEALS THE SACRED FLUTE AND CORNERS THE NINJA—UNTIL A *MYSTERIOUS SAMURAI* SAVES THEM FROM CERTAIN DOOM.
HISSS
BUBBLE
NOW PYTHOR IS ABOUT TO UNITE THE FIVE SERPENTINE TRIBES AND ATTACK NINJAGO CITY. BUT THE NINJA SPREAD RUMORS AMONG THE SERPENTINE IN ORDER TO GET THEM TO FIGHT AMONG THEMSELVES.
AFTER KAI, JAY, AND COLE ARE CAPTURED, ZANE MANAGES TO SAVE HIS TEAMMATES.
SSSSS
SSSSS
SSSSS
UNFORTUNATELY, WITH ALL OF THE SERPENTINE LOOSE, IT'S CLEAR LLOYD'S ACTIONS HAVE OPENED A CAN OF WORMS.

THE SNAKE KING

THE NINJA ARE CALLED ON TO SAVE AN AMUSEMENT PARK, ONLY TO FIND THE MYSTERIOUS SAMURAI X HAS ALREADY TIED UP THE SNAKES.

WU BELIEVES A LITTLE HEALTHY COMPETITION IS GOOD FOR THE NINJA. SO THE NINJA DECIDE AMONG THEMSELVES THAT WHOEVER IS GOOD ENOUGH TO CATCH THE MYSTERIOUS SAMURAI AND FIND OUT WHO HE IS, IS PROBABLY THE GREEN NINJA.

IN THE DESERT, PYTHOR FINDS THE *LOST CITY OF OUROBOROS*, WHERE HE PLANS TO REAWAKEN *THE GREAT DEVOURER.*

USING WU'S SACRED FLUTE, HE THEN DEFEATS THE OTHER SERPENTINE LEADERS IN BATTLE AND PROCLAIMS HIMSELF THE LEADER.

LLOYD—WHO SNUCK IN—IS CAUGHT.

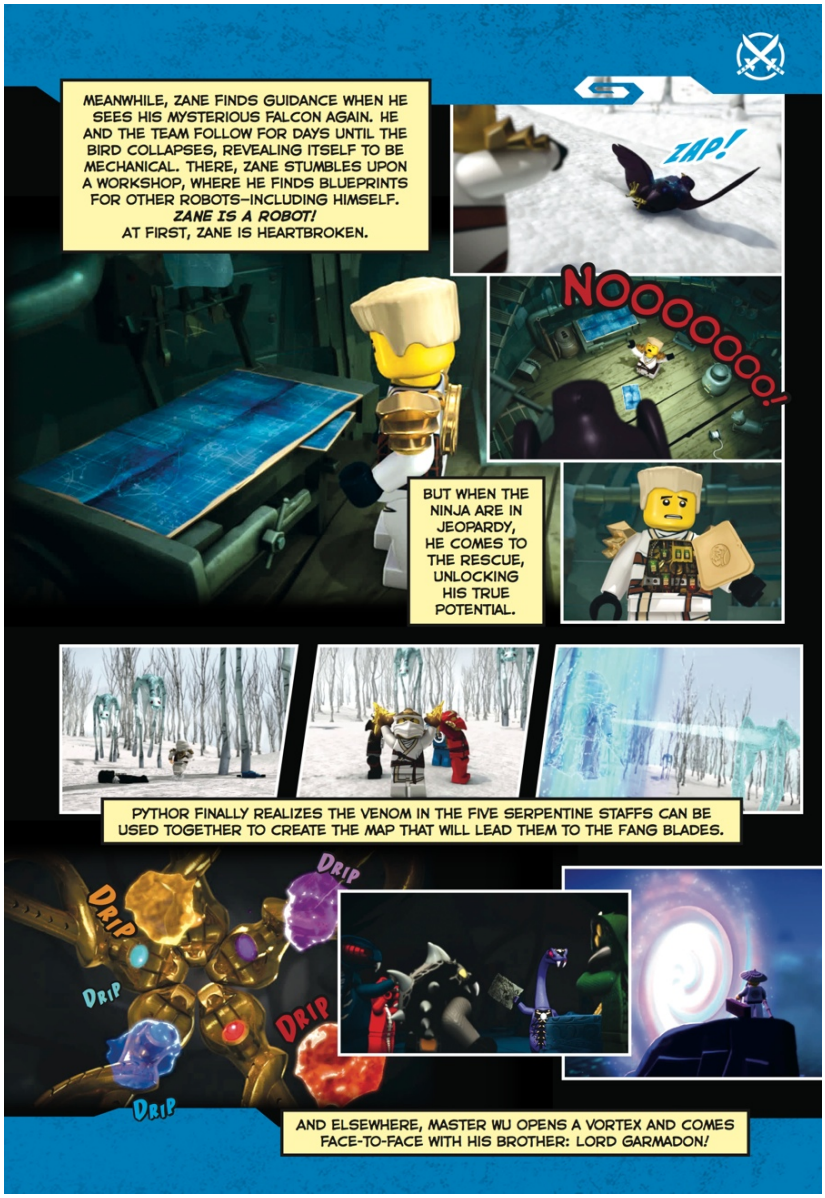
WHEN THE NINJA DISCOVER LLOYD IS MISSING, THEY GO TO RESCUE HIM BUT ARE CAUGHT AND LOSE THEIR WEAPONS. THROWN INTO A GLADIATOR-LIKE ARENA, THE NINJA ARE ORDERED TO FACE ANOTHER CAPTURED FOE—THE MYSTERIOUS SAMURAI X!

THE SAMURAI IS WINNING, BUT SACRIFICES HIS EXO-SUIT TO SAVE THE NINJA. THE SAMURAI GETS THEIR WEAPONS, ONLY TO BE FOUND OUT BY KAI, WHO DISCOVERS ***THE SAMURAI IS ACTUALLY NYA!***

SHE MAKES HIM PROMISE TO KEEP IT A SECRET FROM THE OTHERS, THOUGH MASTER WU ALREADY SUSPECTS IT. BUT NOW THEY MUST FIND A WAY TO RESCUE LLOYD.

TICK TOCK

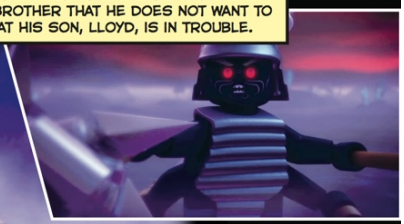
MASTER WU REVEALS THE STORY OF HOW LORD GARMADON BECAME EVIL: A LEGENDARY SNAKE BIT HIS BROTHER WHEN THEY WERE LITTLE, TURNING HIM WICKED.
HE ALSO CRYPTICALLY TELLS THE NINJA TO UNLOCK THEIR TRUE POTENTIAL, THAT THEIR HEARTS ARE THE KEY. THEN HE LEAVES ON A PERSONAL QUEST.
THE SERPENTINE LEARN THEY MUST UNITE THEIR GENERAL STAFFS WITH THE FOUR LOST *FANG BLADES* IN ORDER TO UNLOCK THE BEAST, BUT THEY NEED THE MAP FIRST.


MEANWHILE, ZANE FINDS GUIDANCE WHEN HE SEES HIS MYSTERIOUS FALCON AGAIN. HE AND THE TEAM FOLLOW FOR DAYS UNTIL THE BIRD COLLAPSES, REVEALING ITSELF TO BE MECHANICAL. THERE, ZANE STUMBLES UPON A WORKSHOP, WHERE HE FINDS BLUEPRINTS FOR OTHER ROBOTS—INCLUDING HIMSELF.
ZANE IS A ROBOT!
AT FIRST, ZANE IS HEARTBROKEN.
ZAP!
NOOOOOOO!
BUT WHEN THE NINJA ARE IN JEOPARDY, HE COMES TO THE RESCUE, UNLOCKING HIS TRUE POTENTIAL.
PYTHOR FINALLY REALIZES THE VENOM IN THE FIVE SERPENTINE STAFFS CAN BE USED TOGETHER TO CREATE THE MAP THAT WILL LEAD THEM TO THE FANG BLADES.
DRIP
DRIP
DRIP
DRIP
DRIP
AND ELSEWHERE, MASTER WU OPENS A VORTEX AND COMES FACE-TO-FACE WITH HIS BROTHER: LORD GARMADON!

ONCE BITTEN, TWICE SHY

JAY FINALLY GETS THE COURAGE TO ASK NYA OUT ON A FIRST DATE. HE'S SO EXCITED WHEN SHE ACCEPTS, HE IGNORES GETTING POKED BY THE VENOM OF A FANGPYRE.

IN ANOTHER DIMENSION, MASTER WU AND THE FOUR-ARMED LORD GARMADON HAVE AN EPIC BATTLE UNTIL WU TELLS HIS BROTHER THAT HE DOES NOT WANT TO FIGHT: HE IS ONLY HERE TO TELL HIM THAT HIS SON, LLOYD, IS IN TROUBLE.

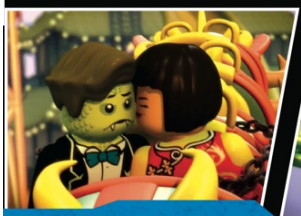


THIS BRINGS OUT ANOTHER SIDE OF LORD GARMADON—THAT OF A CONCERNED FATHER. TOGETHER, THEY BEGIN TO TAKE THE LONG ROAD HOME.

BACK IN NINJAGO, THE SERPENTINE FIND THE LOCATION OF THE FIRST FANG BLADE—AT AN AMUSEMENT PARK.

JAY AND NYA'S FIRST DATE FALLS APART AS JAY TRANSFORMS INTO A SNAKE, AND NYA DISAPPEARS TO BECOME SAMURAI X.

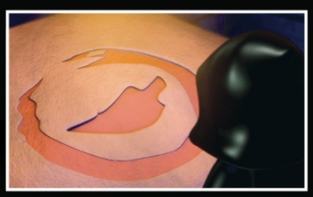
FINALLY, JAY ADMITS HE'S TURNING INTO A SNAKE, AND NYA ADMITS SHE'S THE MYSTERIOUS SAMURAI X. AN INNOCENT KISS RAISES JAY'S HEARTBEAT AND TURNS HIM BACK TO HUMAN. REALIZING IT'S BEST TO BE YOURSELF, JAY UNLOCKS HIS TRUE POTENTIAL AND SAVES NYA.



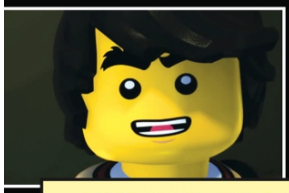
THE NINJA ARE RELIEVED THEIR FRIENDS ARE OKAY, BUT ARE SURPRISED TO DISCOVER NYA IS THE SAMURAI. UNFORTUNATELY, PYTHOR ESCAPES WITH THE FIRST FANG BLADE.

THE ROYAL BLACKSMITHS

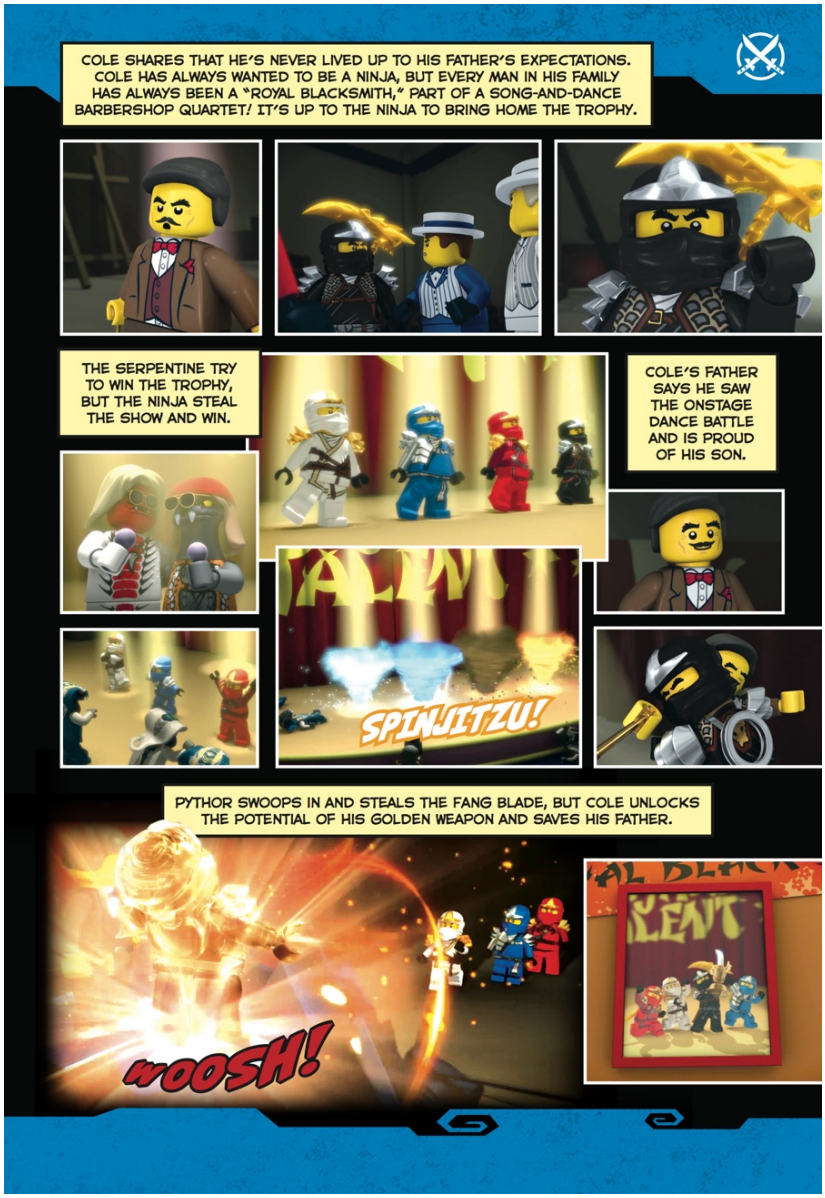
PYTHOR AND FRIENDS SEND LLOYD INTO A LOST TOMB TO RETRIEVE THE NEXT FANG BLADE, BUT IT'S MISSING.



LUCKILY, COLE KNOWS WHERE IT IS—ON A TROPHY IN HIS HOMETOWN.



IN ORDER TO GET HOME, WU AND HIS BROTHER MUST BATTLE HIDEOUS CREATURES PROTECTING A VORTEX INSIDE A VOLCANO. MASTER WU AND LORD GARMADON FIGHT ALONGSIDE EACH OTHER LIKE OLD TIMES, AND THEY SUCCESSFULLY GET TO THE VORTEX.


COLE SHARES THAT HE'S NEVER LIVED UP TO HIS FATHER'S EXPECTATIONS. COLE HAS ALWAYS WANTED TO BE A NINJA, BUT EVERY MAN IN HIS FAMILY HAS ALWAYS BEEN A "ROYAL BLACKSMITH," PART OF A SONG-AND-DANCE BARBERSHOP QUARTET! IT'S UP TO THE NINJA TO BRING HOME THE TROPHY.
THE SERPENTINE TRY TO WIN THE TROPHY, BUT THE NINJA STEAL THE SHOW AND WIN.
COLE'S FATHER SAYS HE SAW THE ONSTAGE DANCE BATTLE AND IS PROUD OF HIS SON.
SPINJITZU!
PYTHOR SWOOPS IN AND STEALS THE FANG BLADE, BUT COLE UNLOCKS THE POTENTIAL OF HIS GOLDEN WEAPON AND SAVES HIS FATHER.
WOOSH!

THE GREEN NINJA

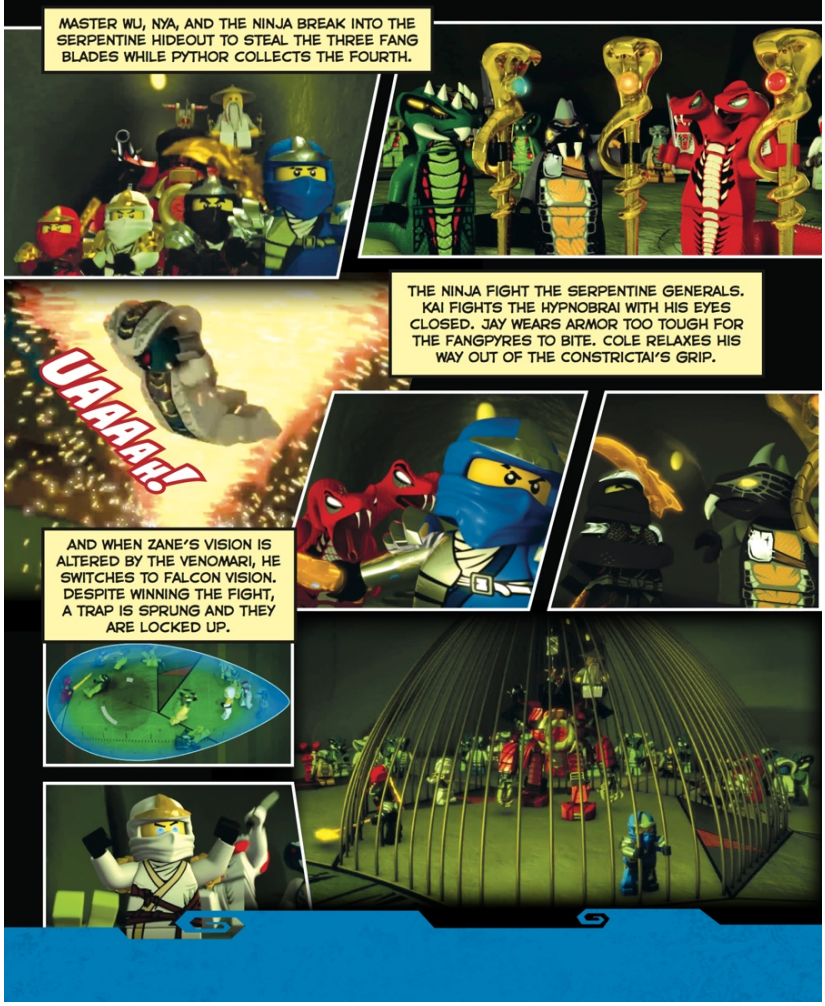
WHEN MASTER WU BRINGS LORD GARMADON BACK AS HIS GUEST, THE NINJA ARE SUSPICIOUS—ESPECIALLY KAI, WHO BELIEVES HIMSELF TO BE THE GREEN NINJA.

MASTER WU OFFERS THE GREEN NINJA OUTFIT TO NYA WHEN HE LEARNS SHE IS SAMURAI X. THIS IS WHAT SHE ALWAYS WANTED—TO BE A PART OF THE TEAM. BUT NYA DECLINES. SHE'S FOUND MORE STRENGTH IN BLAZING HER OWN TRAIL. MASTER WU IS PROUD OF HER DECISION.

ZANE'S FALCON FINDS LLOYD AND THE SERPENTINE. THEY ARE AT THE TEMPLE OF FIRE LOOKING FOR THE THIRD FANG BLADE. BUT THE RESCUE IS DELAYED WHEN KAI ATTACKS GARMADON. KAI USES EVERYTHING HE KNOWS TO DEFEAT THE FOUR-ARMED GARMADON. BUT HIS GOLDEN WEAPON WILL NOT UNLOCK.

AT THE TEMPLE OF FIRE, THE NINJA FIGHT THE SEPRENTINE.
KICK!
POW!
POW!
GARMADON IS ONLY CONCERNED WITH SAVING LLOYD, WHILE KAI RISKS EVERYTHING TO GET THE FANG BLADE. ULTIMATELY, HE MUST CHOOSE BETWEEN LLOYD AND THE BLADE.
WHEN KAI CHOOSES TO SAVE LLOYD, HE UNLOCKS HIS FULL POTENTIAL. IT IS THEN REVEALED THAT LLOYD IS THE TRUE GREEN NINJA.

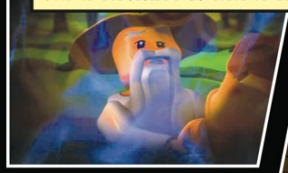
ALL OF NOTHING



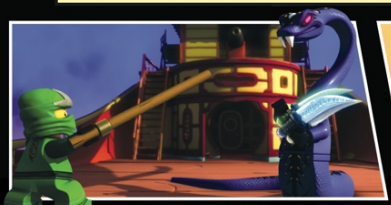
BUT BEFORE GARMADON AND LLOYD CAN HELP, LLOYD CATCHES HIS FATHER STEALING SECRETS. HE TELLS HIS FATHER TO LEAVE. HE PLANS TO HELP THE NINJA ON HIS OWN. THE SNAKES LAUGH AT LLOYD...
HA! HA! HA! HA! HA! HA!
...UNTIL GARMADON SHOWS UP WITH HIS SKELETON ARMY. THE SKELETONS BATTLE THE SNAKES, AND THE NINJA TAKE ALL FOUR FANG BLADES.
BUT BEFORE THEY CAN TAKE DOWN PYTHOR, HE TURNS INVISIBLE AND ESCAPES.
BACK ON THE SHIP, GARMADON HAS A HEART-TO-HEART TALK WITH HIS SON AND EXPLAINS THAT HE NEVER HAD A CHOICE BUT TO BE EVIL–BUT LLOYD DOES AND GARMADON IS PROUD OF HIM. GARMADON LEAVES DURING THE NINJA'S CELEBRATION. LITTLE DO THEY KNOW, PYTHOR IS ON THE SHIP WITH THEM...

THE RISE OF THE GREAT DEVOURER

THE NINJA HEAD TO TORCHFIRE MOUNTAIN, THE ONLY PLACE WITH FIRE HOT ENOUGH TO DESTROY THE FANG BLADES. ON THE WAY, MASTER WU MEDITATES AND IS DISTURBED BY VISIONS OF WHAT'S TO COME.



SOON AFTER, PYTHOR MAKES HIS MOVE AND STEALS BACK THE FANG BLADES.



THE SERPENTINE ARMY ARRIVES, AND TURN A TOUR BUS INTO A FORTRESS ON WHEELS. THIS RESULTS IN A FAST AND FURIOUS CHASE TOWARD THE CITY OF OUROBOROS. IF PYTHOR MAKES IT THERE WITH THE FANG BLADES FIRST, HE WILL SUMMON THE GREAT DEVOURER.

THE NINJA USE THEIR GOLDEN WEAPON VEHICLES TO ATTACK, BUT FIND THAT THEY ARE MOST EFFECTIVE WHEN WORKING TOGETHER AS A TEAM.
BUT IT'S NOT ENOUGH. PYTHOR MAKES IT TO THE CITY AND ACTIVATES THE FANG BLADES.
MOMENTS LATER, THE GIANT SNAKE KNOWN AS THE GREAT DEVOURER AWAKENS. IT BURSTS THOUGH THE GROUND AND ROARS. IS THIS THE END?!

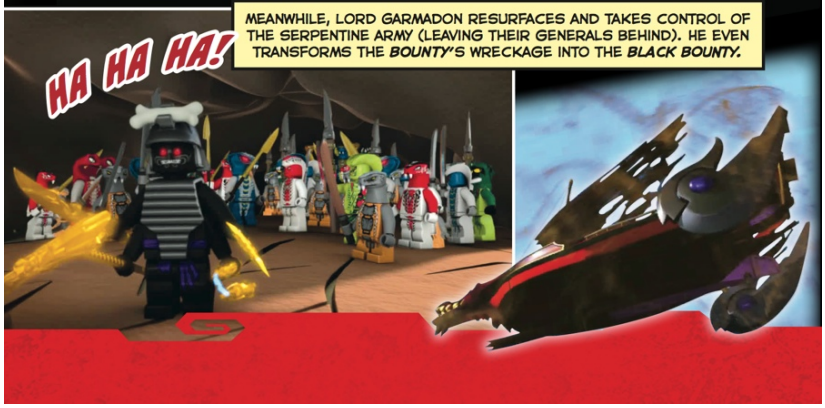
DAY OF THE GREAT DEVOURER

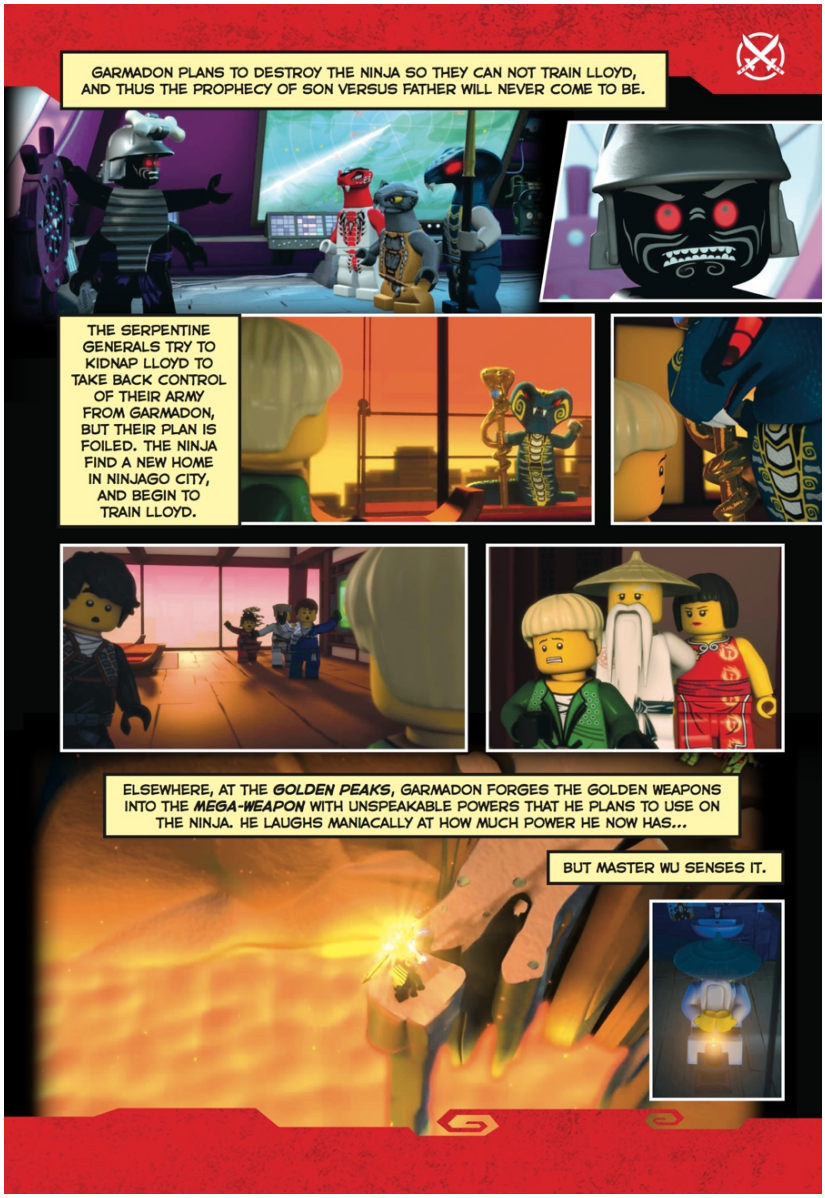
THE GIANT SERPENT ARRIVES, AND THEY BATTLE.
ZANE RECREATES THE SOUND OF THE SACRED FLUTE, USING IT AS A WEAPON. BUT THE GREAT DEVOURER WINS THIS FIRST ROUND AND HEADS TOWARD NINJAGO CITY.
THE NINJA WORK TOGETHER TO FIGHT THE CREATURE WITH THEIR ELEMENTAL POWERS. BUT IT IS NOT ENOUGH. THEIR DRAGONS RETURN, MERGED INTO ONE SUPER DRAGON, AND IT FIGHTS THE GREAT DEVOURER, BUT THAT IS NOT ENOUGH, EITHER.
OUT OF OPTIONS, THE NINJA HAND THEIR WEAPONS OVER TO LORD GARMADON, THE ONLY PERSON STRONG ENOUGH TO HANDLE THE POWER OF ALL FOUR GOLDEN WEAPONS.
HE ATTACKS THE GREAT DEVOURER, AND DESTROYS IT. MASTER WU IS REVEALED TO BE FINE, BUT GARMADON HAS DISAPPEARED WITH THE WEAPONS. WU IS NOT WORRIED, AS THE NINJA PROMISE TO TRAIN LLOYD AND TEACH HIM EVERYTHING THEY HAVE LEARNED. WU IS PROUD TO SEE THAT HIS STUDENTS HAVE BECOME THE TEACHERS.

DARKNESS SHALL RISE

WITH THE GREAT DEVOURER DESTROYED, NINJAGO IS SAVED—BUT AT GREAT COST. SINCE GARMADON STOLE THEIR GOLDEN WEAPONS, THE NINJA ARE STRIPPED OF THEIR ELEMENTAL POWERS. AND WITH THE ***DESTINY'S BOUNTY*** DESTROYED, THE NINJA ARE FORCED TO FIND A NEW HOME AS WELL.

MEANWHILE, LORD GARMADON RESURFACES AND TAKES CONTROL OF THE SERPENTINE ARMY (LEAVING THEIR GENERALS BEHIND). HE EVEN TRANSFORMS THE ***BOUNTY***'S WRECKAGE INTO THE ***BLACK BOUNTY.***

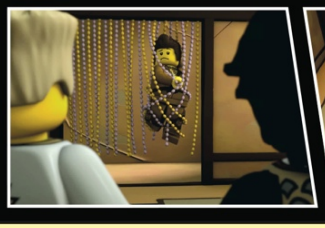



GARMADON PLANS TO DESTROY THE NINJA SO THEY CAN NOT TRAIN LLOYD, AND THUS THE PROPHECY OF SON VERSUS FATHER WILL NEVER COME TO BE.
THE SERPENTINE GENERALS TRY TO KIDNAP LLOYD TO TAKE BACK CONTROL OF THEIR ARMY FROM GARMADON, BUT THEIR PLAN IS FOILED. THE NINJA FIND A NEW HOME IN NINJAGO CITY, AND BEGIN TO TRAIN LLOYD.
ELSEWHERE, AT THE GOLDEN PEAKS, GARMADON FORGES THE GOLDEN WEAPONS INTO THE MEGA-WEAPON WITH UNSPEAKABLE POWERS THAT HE PLANS TO USE ON THE NINJA. HE LAUGHS MANIACALLY AT HOW MUCH POWER HE NOW HAS...
BUT MASTER WU SENSES IT.

PIRATES VS. NINJA

WHEN LORD GARMADON TRIES TO DESTROY THE NINJA'S ULTRA DRAGON, HIS MEGA-WEAPON FAILS. SOON, HE LEARNS IT CANNOT DESTROY—ONLY CREATE. THEN, BY ACCIDENT, HE BRINGS THE ORIGINAL OWNERS OF THE ***BLACK BOUNTY*** TO LIFE: CAPTAIN SOTO AND HIS PIRATES. THE PIRATES COMMIT MUTINY, AND TOSS GARMADON AND HIS SERPENTS INTO A CELL.

MEANWHILE, THE NINJA TAKE LLOYD TO "GRAND MASTER" DARETH'S ***MOJO DOJO*** TO BEGIN TRAINING LLOYD.



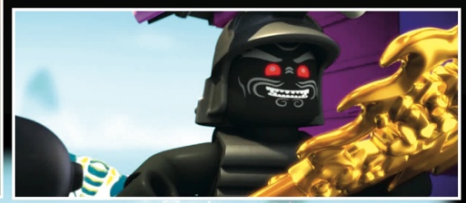
THERE, THEY DISCOVER LLOYD ALREADY HAS ALL FOUR OF THE NATURAL ELEMENTAL ABILITIES—AND THAT DARETH ISN'T MUCH OF A MASTER OR A NINJA AT ALL.

WHEN THE PIRATES ATTACK, IT'S UP TO THE NINJA TO STOP CAPTAIN SOTO AND HIS MEN FROM PLUNDERING NINJAGO CITY.
DISOBEYING THE NINJA, LLOYD JOINS THE FIGHT. HE IS GROWING MORE POWERFUL, BUT HIS ABILITIES ARE STILL UNCONTROLLABLE.
SWOOSH!
LUCKILY, NYA SHOWS UP AND SAVES THE DAY. TOGETHER, THE NINJA BAG THE PIRATES, BUT GARMADON GETS AWAY WITH THE *BOUNTY.*

DOUBLE TROUBLE

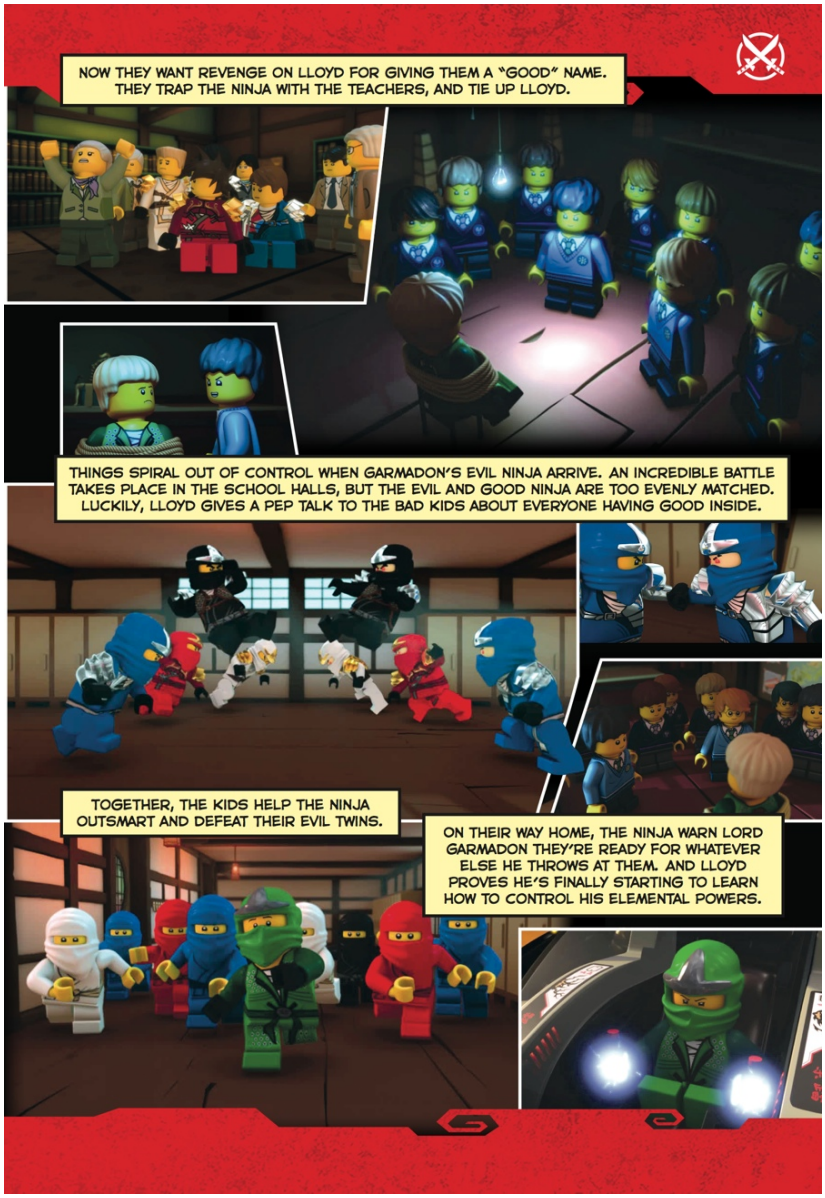
THE NINJA TRY TO TRAIN LLOYD IN THE USE OF HIS POWERS, BUT HE'S HAVING DIFFICULTY.

SO IS HIS FATHER, LORD GARMADON, ELSEWHERE. TRYING TO DECIDE HOW TO USE THE MEGA-WEAPON TO DEFEAT THE NINJA, LORD GARMADON CREATES EVIL TWINS OF THE NINJA TO FACE THEM.



LATER, THE NINJA ARE INVITED TO LLOYD'S OLD SCHOOL, ***DARKLY'S BOARDING SCHOOL***, WHICH IS NOW A REFORMED "SCHOOL FOR GREAT CHILDREN."

AT LEAST IT WAS, UNTIL THE BAD KIDS SEIZED CONTROL OF THE SCHOOL AND LOCKED UP THE FACULTY.


NOW THEY WANT REVENGE ON LLOYD FOR GIVING THEM A "GOOD" NAME. THEY TRAP THE NINJA WITH THE TEACHERS, AND TIE UP LLOYD.
THINGS SPIRAL OUT OF CONTROL WHEN GARMADON'S EVIL NINJA ARRIVE. AN INCREDIBLE BATTLE TAKES PLACE IN THE SCHOOL HALLS, BUT THE EVIL AND GOOD NINJA ARE TOO EVENLY MATCHED. LUCKILY, LLOYD GIVES A PEP TALK TO THE BAD KIDS ABOUT EVERYONE HAVING GOOD INSIDE.
TOGETHER, THE KIDS HELP THE NINJA OUTSMART AND DEFEAT THEIR EVIL TWINS.
ON THEIR WAY HOME, THE NINJA WARN LORD GARMADON THEY'RE READY FOR WHATEVER ELSE HE THROWS AT THEM. AND LLOYD PROVES HE'S FINALLY STARTING TO LEARN HOW TO CONTROL HIS ELEMENTAL POWERS.

NINJABALL RUN

AS LLOYD CONTINUES TO TRAIN AND UNLOCK HIS HIDDEN POWERS, THE NINJA LEARN A DEVELOPER COMPANY CALLED ***DARNAGOM*** IS GOING TO DESTROY DARRETH'S MOJO DOJO UNLESS DARRETH CAN FIND THE MONEY TO SAVE IT.

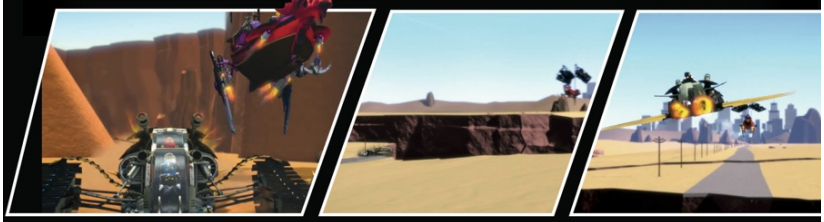
ZANE REARRANGES THE LETTERS AND DISCOVERS THE LAND DEVELOPERS ARE OWNED BY GARMADON. HE WANTS TO ELIMINATE THE DOJO SO LLOYD WILL HAVE NOWHERE TO TRAIN.

NYA SUGGESTS THE NINJA ENTER THE ANNUAL NINJABALL RUN CROSS-COUNTRY RACE TO TRY TO WIN ITS CASH PRIZE.

SO THE NINJA TAKE THE ***ULTRA SONIC RAIDER***, AND LLOYD ENTERS WITH THE ULTRA DRAGON.

THE COMPETITION IS STIFF—IT INCLUDES JAY'S PARENTS, COLE'S DAD'S SINGING QUARTET, KIDS FROM DARKLY'S SCHOOL, PIRATES, SKELETONS, AND MORE! THE RACE STARTS IN NINJAGO CITY, GOES THROUGH THE SEA OF SAND, CRASH-COURSE CANYON, BIRCHWOOD FOREST, ICY GLACIER BARRENS, THE BADLANDS, AND FINALLY FINISHES BACK WHERE IT STARTED.

THE HIGH-SPEED DERBY WILL ONLY GROW DEADLIER AS GARMADON JOINS IN THE ***BLACK BOUNTY.*** IN A LAST-DITCH EFFORT TO WIN, GARMADON OPENS A GIANT CHASM.



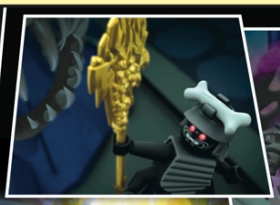
THE NINJA, HAVING FAITH IN NYA, TRUST HER UPGRADES ON THE RAIDER, AND IT FLIES ACROSS THE FINISH LINE FIRST. NOT ONLY DO THE NINJA WIN, BUT THEY ALSO GET THE ***DESTINY'S BOUNTY*** BACK.

CHILD'S PLAY

TIRED OF INTENSE TRAINING, LLOYD YEARNS TO READ COMICS AND ENJOY HIS YOUTH. THE NINJA REMIND LLOYD THAT ALONG WITH GREAT POWER COMES GREAT RESPONSIBILITY. LLOYD POINTS OUT THAT HE'S TOO IMPORTANT TO PLAY, BUT TOO YOUNG TO JOIN THE FIGHT WHEN GARMADON ATTACKS. HE'S RIGHTFULLY FRUSTRATED.

LORD GARMADON BEGINS USING HIS MEGA-WEAPON TO "TURN BACK THE CLOCK" AND BRING THE FOSSIL OF AN EXTINCT ***GRUNDLE*** BACK TO LIFE.

THE NINJA TRY TO STOP GARMADON, BUT ARE CHANGED INTO KIDS!

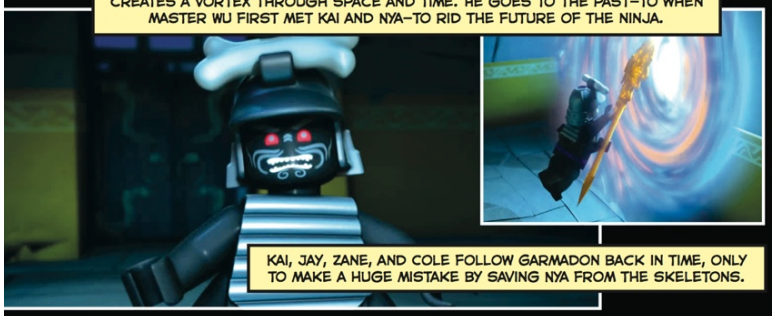


WITH THE NINJA-HUNTING GRUNDLE AFTER THEM, THE NINJA MUST ASK LLOYD FOR HELP. HE KNOWS JUST THE PLACE TO GO...

AT THE LOCAL COMIC STORE, THE NINJA LEARN HOW TO DEFEAT THE GRUNDLE.
NINJAGO DOOMSDAY COMIX
MOTHER DOOMSDAY
MEANWHILE, WU AND NYA TRACK DOWN TOMORROW'S TEA TO TURN TIME FORWARD.
GRRRRRR
IN THE END, LLOYD MAKES THE DIFFICULT DECISION TO SACRIFICE HIS YOUTH IN ORDER TO SAVE THEM. THE GRUNDLE TURNS BACK INTO BONES, THE NINJA RETURN TO THEIR PROPER AGE, AND LLOYD BECOMES A YOUNG MAN.
MASTER WU FEARS THAT THE FINAL BATTLE OF GOOD VERSUS EVIL APPROACHES SOONER THAN EVER.

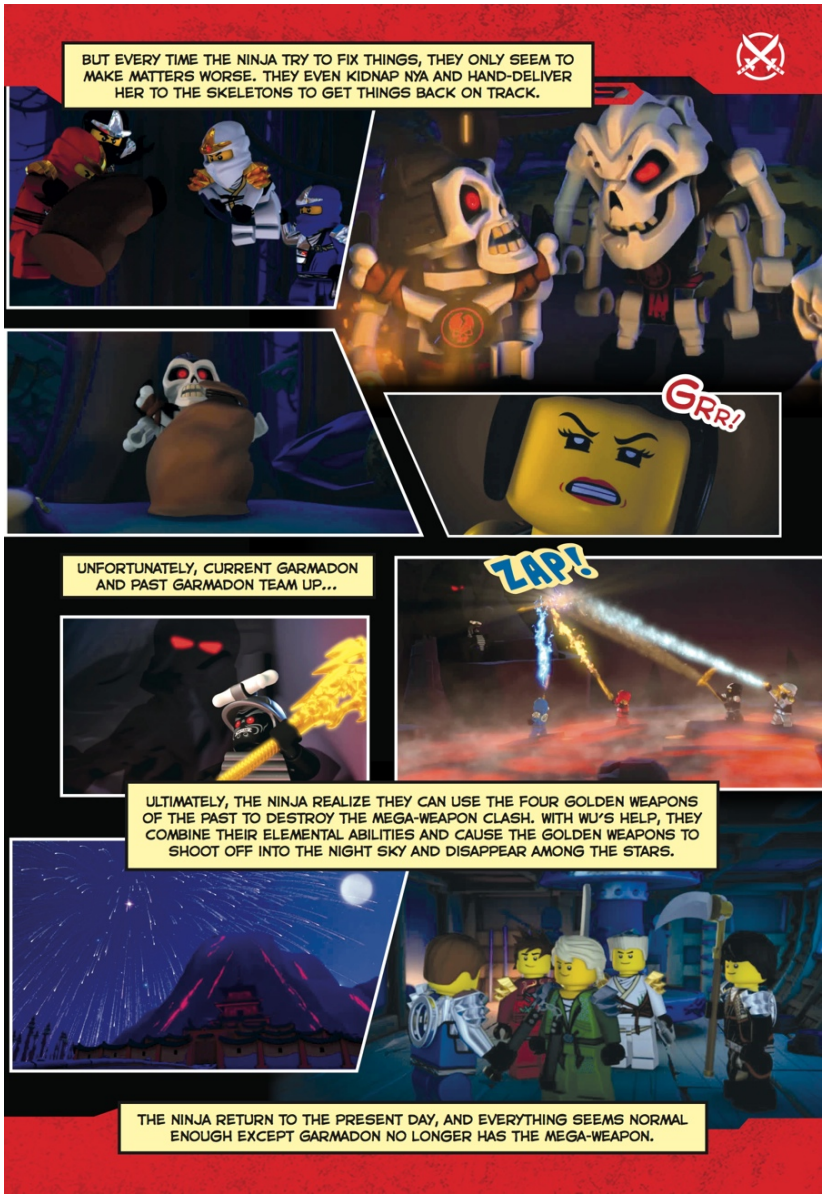
WRONG PLACE, WRONG TIME

IN HIS MOST VILLAINOUS ATTEMPT AT USING THE MEGA-WEAPON, LORD GARMADON CREATES A VORTEX THROUGH SPACE AND TIME. HE GOES TO THE PAST—TO WHEN MASTER WU FIRST MET KAI AND NYA—TO RID THE FUTURE OF THE NINJA.



KAI, JAY, ZANE, AND COLE FOLLOW GARMADON BACK IN TIME, ONLY TO MAKE A HUGE MISTAKE BY SAVING NYA FROM THE SKELETONS.

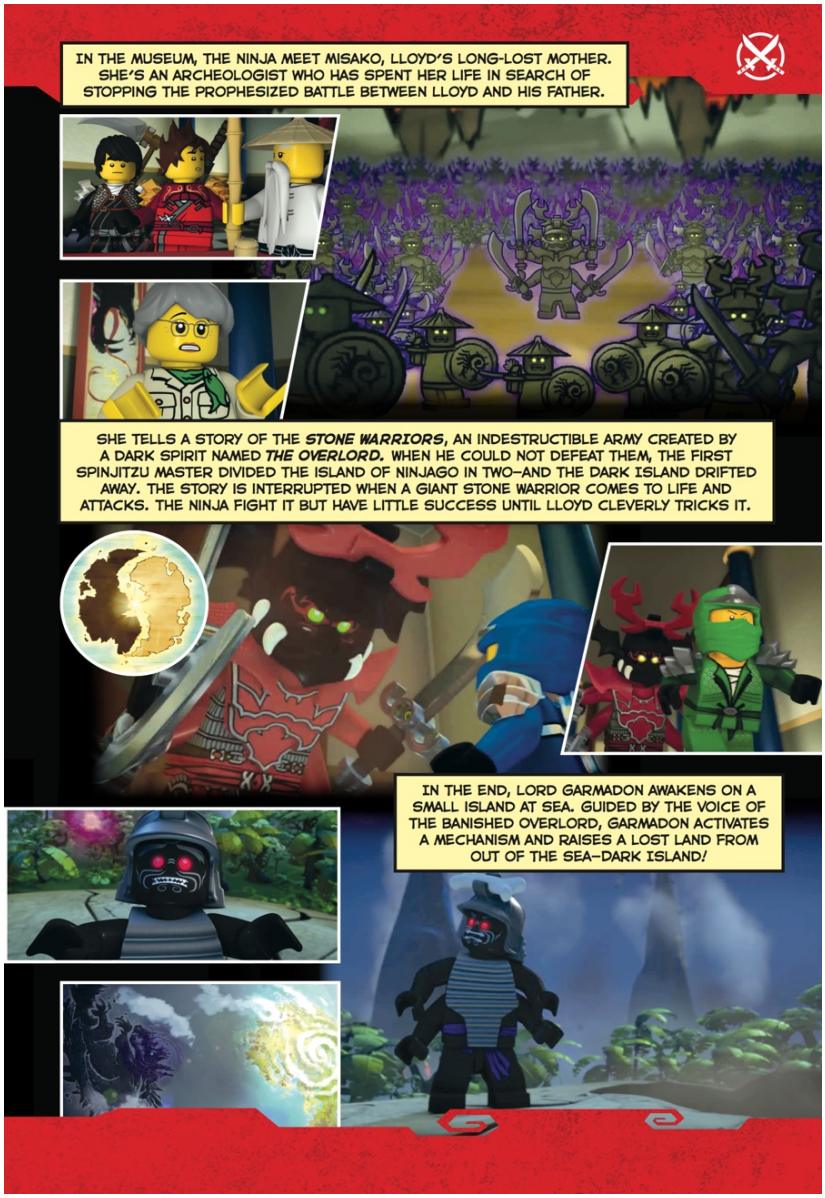
SUDDENLY, PAST KAI DOESN'T HAVE A NEED TO BECOME A NINJA. NOW THE CURRENT-DAY HEROES MUST FIX THE PAST TO SAVE THEIR FUTURES.


BUT EVERY TIME THE NINJA TRY TO FIX THINGS, THEY ONLY SEEM TO MAKE MATTERS WORSE. THEY EVEN KIDNAP NYA AND HAND-DELIVER HER TO THE SKELETONS TO GET THINGS BACK ON TRACK.
GRR!
UNFORTUNATELY, CURRENT GARMADON AND PAST GARMADON TEAM UP...
ZAP!
ULTIMATELY, THE NINJA REALIZE THEY CAN USE THE FOUR GOLDEN WEAPONS OF THE PAST TO DESTROY THE MEGA-WEAPON CLASH. WITH WU'S HELP, THEY COMBINE THEIR ELEMENTAL ABILITIES AND CAUSE THE GOLDEN WEAPONS TO SHOOT OFF INTO THE NIGHT SKY AND DISAPPEAR AMONG THE STARS.
THE NINJA RETURN TO THE PRESENT DAY, AND EVERYTHING SEEMS NORMAL ENOUGH EXCEPT GARMADON NO LONGER HAS THE MEGA-WEAPON.

THE STONE ARMY

LORD GARMADON STRUGGLES TO REGAIN CONTROL OF THE SERPENTINE NOW THAT THE MEGA-WEAPON HAS BEEN DESTROYED. HE LEADS THE SNAKES IN SEARCH OF THE FABLED ***DARK ISLAND*** BUT IS UNABLE TO FIND IT, AND THE SERPENTINE GENERALS TOSS LORD GARMADON OUT TO SEA AND PUT SKALES BACK IN CHARGE.

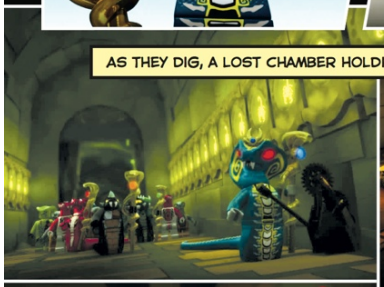
AT THE MUSEUM, LLOYD AND THE NINJA ARE CALLED IN TO FIND THE TOXIC VENOM FROM THE GREAT DEVOURER HAS SEEPED INTO THE GROUND BENEATH THE CITY, AND IT'S BROUGHT ITEMS IN THE GIFT SHOP TO LIFE!

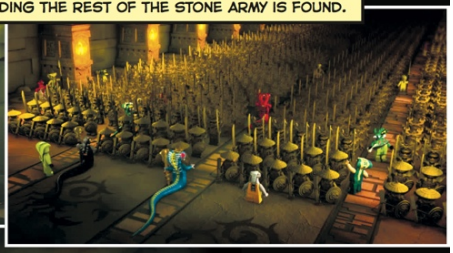

IN THE MUSEUM, THE NINJA MEET MISAKO, LLOYD'S LONG-LOST MOTHER. SHE'S AN ARCHEOLOGIST WHO HAS SPENT HER LIFE IN SEARCH OF STOPPING THE PROPHESIZED BATTLE BETWEEN LLOYD AND HIS FATHER.
SHE TELLS A STORY OF THE *STONE WARRIORS*, AN INDESTRUCTIBLE ARMY CREATED BY A DARK SPIRIT NAMED *THE OVERLORD*. WHEN HE COULD NOT DEFEAT THEM, THE FIRST SPINJITZU MASTER DIVIDED THE ISLAND OF NINJAGO IN TWO—AND THE DARK ISLAND DRIFTED AWAY. THE STORY IS INTERRUPTED WHEN A GIANT STONE WARRIOR COMES TO LIFE AND ATTACKS. THE NINJA FIGHT IT BUT HAVE LITTLE SUCCESS UNTIL LLOYD CLEVERLY TRICKS IT.
IN THE END, LORD GARMADON AWAKENS ON A SMALL ISLAND AT SEA. GUIDED BY THE VOICE OF THE BANISHED OVERLORD, GARMADON ACTIVATES A MECHANISM AND RAISES A LOST LAND FROM OUT OF THE SEA—DARK ISLAND!

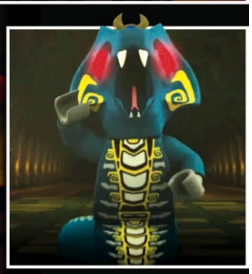
THE DAY NINJAGO STOOD STILL

SKALES FINALLY TAKES FULL LEADERSHIP OVER THE SERPENTINE. TO GET REVENGE ON THE HUMANS, THEY PLAN TO BURROW BENEATH NINJAGO CITY AND LEVEL IT TO THE GROUND.

AS THEY DIG, A LOST CHAMBER HOLDING THE REST OF THE STONE ARMY IS FOUND.







THE DEVOURER'S TOXIC VENOM, STILL SEEPING UNDERGROUND, BRINGS THE STONE ARMY TO LIFE. AFTER A QUICK BATTLE, THE STONE ARMY LEAVES DEFEATED SERPENTINE BEHIND, ONCE MORE SEALED IN A HIDDEN TOMB.

ON DARK ISLAND, THE OVERLORD DIRECTS LORD GARMADON TO A GIANT *CELESTIAL CLOCK*, WHERE HE REMOVES THE *HELMET OF SHADOWS.* IT GRANTS ITS WEARER CONTROL OF THE STONE ARMY, BUT ALSO ACTIVATES THE CLOCK TO COUNT DOWN TO THE FINAL BATTLE.
BACK IN NINJAGO CITY, THE *STONE ARMY* SURFACES AND ATTACKS. THE NINJA KNOW THE ONLY THING THEY CAN DO IS TO SAVE AS MANY PEOPLE AS THEY CAN. AS THEY BARELY ESCAPE WITH THE LAST OF THE SURVIVORS, MISAKO BRAVELY GOES BACK FOR HER RESEARCH ABOUT THE PROPHESIED FINAL BATTLE.
ULTIMATELY, WU SAVES HER, AND IN TURN, NYA SAVES THEM BOTH.
IN THE END, THE CITY IS IN SHAMBLES AND GARMADON ANNOUNCES HE'S BACK...

THE LAST VOYAGE

THE STONE ARMY AND LORD GARMADON HAVE DISAPPEARED, BUT OUR HEROES CAN SEE THE MYSTERIOUS DARK ISLAND OFF THEIR COASTLINE.

THE TEAM IS AT A LOSS AS TO HOW TO DEFEAT THEIR ENEMY—UNTIL MISAKO'S ANCIENT SCROLLS REVEAL THAT THE ***TEMPLE OF LIGHT*** CAN RETURN THE NINJA'S ELEMENTAL POWERS, BUT IT IS LOCATED ON DARK ISLAND. THOUGH IT WON'T FLY, THE ***DESTINY'S BOUNTY*** STILL SAILS. AND SO THE TEAM HEADS OUT TO SEA.

MEANWHILE, THE OVERLORD HAS GARMADON'S ARMY MINING FOR DARK MATTER, USING IT TO BUILD A SUPER-WEAPON.
AFTER TAKING ON TOO MUCH DAMAGE FROM A STORM AND A STARTEETH ATTACK, THE SHIP IS FORCED TO FIND REFUGE AT A LIGHTHOUSE. INSIDE, ZANE DISCOVERS HIS INVENTOR FATHER IS STILL ALIVE! DR. JULIEN HELPS THE TEAM REPAIR THE BOUNTY SO IT CAN FLY AGAIN.
SPLASH!
AS THEY TRY TO ESCAPE, A GIANT LEVIATHAN GUARDING THE LIGHTHOUSE TAKES HOLD OF THE SHIP, PULLING IT UNDERWATER. BUT ZANE FREES THE MONSTER, AND IN TURN, THE MONSTER FREES HIS FRIENDS.
NOW WU, MISAKO, AND THE NINJA SOAR TOWARD DARK ISLAND.

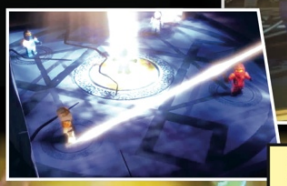
ISLAND OF DARKNESS

THE NINJA ARE IN HIDING, AS WU WARNS THAT GARMADON CAN NOT KNOW THEY ARE HERE. MISAKO'S SCROLLS SAY THE TEMPLE OF LIGHT WILL ALLOW THEIR ELEMENTAL POWERS TO RETURN. SHE ALSO REVEALS THAT THE GREEN NINJA WILL FIND THE POWER OF THE ULTIMATE SPINJITZU MASTER.

WHILE THE NINJA SEARCH DARK ISLAND FOR THE TEMPLE, THEY SAVE ZANE'S LOST FALCON AND FIND THE TEMPLE OF LIGHT HIDDEN ON THE HIGHEST PEAK OF THE ISLAND.

ZANE'S FATHER AND NYA AID THE JOURNEY BY CREATING A DRILL DOZER AND A GIANT MECH SUIT FOR KAI.

AFTER A CHASE AND BATTLE UP THE HILLSIDE, LLOYD FINDS THE TEMPLE OF LIGHT. LLOYD SOLVES THE PUZZLE AND STRIKES THE BELL THAT IS THE ***INSTRUMENT OF PEACE.*** THE ROOM FILLS WITH LIGHT, AND THE OTHER NINJA ARE ABLE TO HARNESS THEIR PURE ELEMENTAL POWERS. CONCENTRATING THEM ONTO LLOYD, HE BECOMES MORE POWERFUL THAN HE EVER IMAGINED.

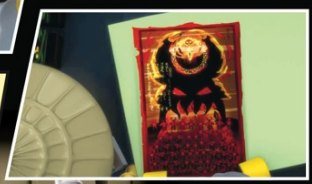


FINALLY ABLE TO FIGHT BACK, THEY DESTROY THE STONE WARRIORS AS LLOYD HARNESSES THE ***GOLDEN DRAGON.***

ALTHOUGH LORD GARMADON THINKS ALL IS LOST, THE OVERLORD REASSURES HIM DARKNESS WILL PREVAIL, AS WE END ON SEEING THE CELESTIAL CLOCK TICKING DOWN CLOSER TO ZERO.

THE LAST HOPE

WITH THE OVERLORD AND GARMADON NEARING COMPLETION OF THE SUPER-WEAPON, MISAKO TELLS THE GROUP SHE THINKS THERE COULD BE ONE LAST CHANCE AT PREVENTING LLOYD'S FINAL BATTLE WITH HIS FATHER. SHE BELIEVES IF THEY CAN STEAL THE HELMET OFF GARMADON'S HEAD AND RETURN IT TO ITS RIGHTFUL PERCH ON THE CELESTIAL CLOCK, IT COULD STOP THE CLOCK BEFORE IT REACHES ZERO, THUS PREVENTING THE FINAL BATTLE FROM BEGINNING.



DRESSED AS EVIL WARRIORS, THE NINJA ESCORT THEIR (PRETEND) CAPTIVE, MISAKO, TO GARMADON. WHILE THE NINJA GET A CLOSER LOOK AT THE SUPER-WEAPON BEING BUILT, MISAKO CLEVERLY STEALS GARMADON'S HELMET.

NYA COMES TO THE RESCUE, AND THEY RACE TO THE CELESTIAL CLOCK.

LLOYD HAS A BRIEF ENCOUNTER WITH HIS FATHER, BUT HESITATES TO STRIKE HIM DOWN.

THE NINJA BARELY MANAGE TO RETURN THE HELMET TO ITS RIGHTFUL PERCH, BUT THEY'RE ONE SECOND TOO LATE. THE CLOCK REACHES ZERO, AND A BEAM OF CONCENTRATED LIGHT CHARGES THE SUPER-WEAPON.

NYA IS TAKEN HOSTAGE AS THE OTHERS TUMBLE OFF A CLIFF, BARELY SURVIVING THE FALL. THE NINJA HAVE FAILED AT PREVENTING THE FINAL BATTLE—IT HAS BEGUN.

RETURN OF THE OVERLORD

THE SUPER-WEAPON COMES TO LIFE—IT IS A GIANT MOVING CANNON, THE ***GARMATRON!*** LORD GARMADON DECIDES HIS FIRST TEST SUBJECT WILL BE NYA.

MEANWHILE, THE HEROES PREPARE FOR THE FINAL BATTLE AND SNEAK INTO THE VILLAIN COMPOUND...ONLY TO FIND IT EMPTY. THE SUPER-WEAPON IS MOVING TOWARD THE COASTLINE, WHERE THE CANNON'S RANGE CAN REACH NINJAGO.

ON THE WAY THERE, THE NINJA MUST FACE OFF AGAINST...***EVIL NYA!*** TURNED DARK BY THE SUPER-WEAPON, SHE FIGHTS THE NINJA, WHILE MISAKO, WU, AND LLOYD GO TO STOP GARMADON.

LLOYD BATTLES HIS FATHER, BUT NOT BEFORE GARMADON BEGINS LAUNCHING DARK MATTER MISSILES TOWARD NINJAGO, TURNING ENTIRE VILLAGES EVIL.

GARMADON REALIZES TOO LATE THAT HE'S UNSETTLED THE BALANCE, ALLOWING THE SPIRIT OF THE OVERLORD TO CROSS OVER AND POSSESS HIS BODY. A HIDEOUS METAMORPHOSIS TAKES PLACE AS GARMDADON CHANGES INTO THE OVERLORD. HIS NEXT TARGET? NINJAGO CITY!

THE NINJA WORK TOGETHER TO BATTLE THE VILLAINS, WHILE LLOYD FIGHTS THE OVERLORD HIMSELF. BUT JUST WHEN IT LOOKS LIKE GOOD WILL PREVAIL, LLOYD IS DEFEATED.

THE OVERLORD AND HIS ARMY ESCAPE THROUGH A PORTAL TO NINJAGO, AND OUR HEROES ARE ABANDONED ON THE ISLAND WITH NO WAY HOME. AND WITH THE GREEN NINJA INJURED, IT LOOKS LIKE ALL IS LOST. EVIL HAS WON.

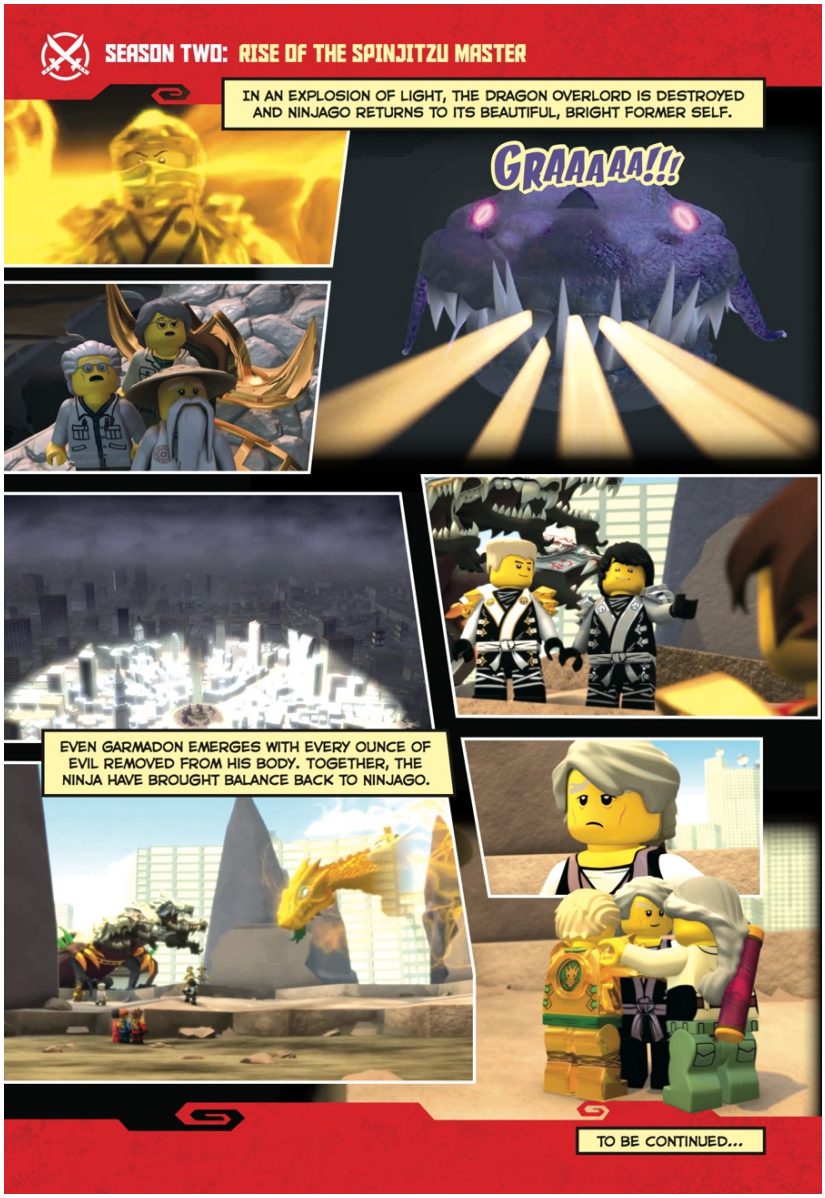
RISE OF THE SPINJITZU MASTER

WITH SPIRITS DOWN, LLOYD RISES ON HIS INJURED LEG, NOT WILLING TO GIVE UP. HE EMPOWERS THE GROUP WITH THE MESSAGE: ***NINJA NEVER QUIT.***

ZANE'S FALCON LEADS THEM BACK TO THE TEMPLE OF LIGHT. THERE, THEY DISCOVER THE FIRST SPINJITZU MASTER'S HIDDEN ***GOLDEN MECH.*** THE ULTRA-DRAGON ARRIVES, PROVIDING THE WAY TO GET BACK HOME.

UPON RETURNING TO NINJAGO, THEY FIND A GREAT DARKNESS HAS FALLEN OVER THE LAND. AT THE CENTER OF NINJAGO CITY IS A GIANT FORTRESS. ATOP IT, THE OVERLORD HAS TAKEN HIS TRUE FORM: A GIANT BLACK ***DRAGON OVERLORD!***

UNWILLING TO GIVE UP, EACH MEMBER OF THE TEAM MAKES A PERSONAL SACRIFICE TO HELP THE INJURED LLOYD REACH THE PEAK OF THE DARK FORTRESS.
BLLLLIIIIIIGGGGGG
WHEN ALL IS AT ITS DARKEST, LLOYD BECOMES THE *ULTIMATE SPINJITZU MASTER!* HE CREATES A GOLDEN DRAGON, AND THE TWO WINGED BEASTS BATTLE IN AN EPIC AERIAL FIGHT.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GRAAAAA!!!
EVEN GARMADON EMERGES WITH EVERY OUNCE OF EVIL REMOVED FROM HIS BODY. TOGETHER, THE NINJA HAVE BROUGHT BALANCE BACK TO NINJAGO.
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